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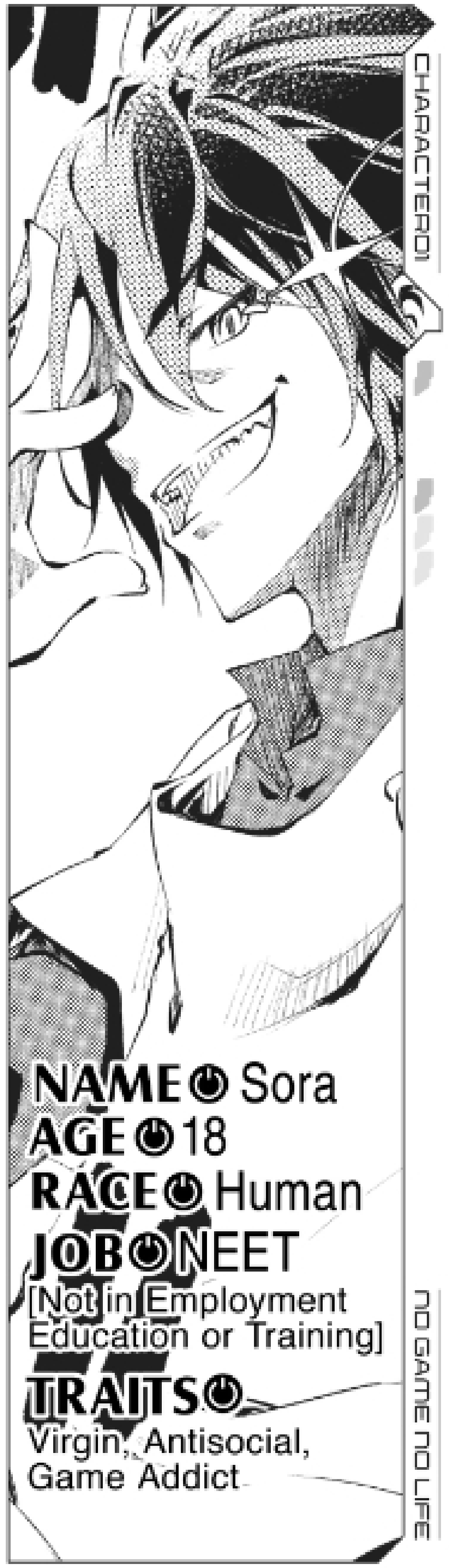
CHARACTER01
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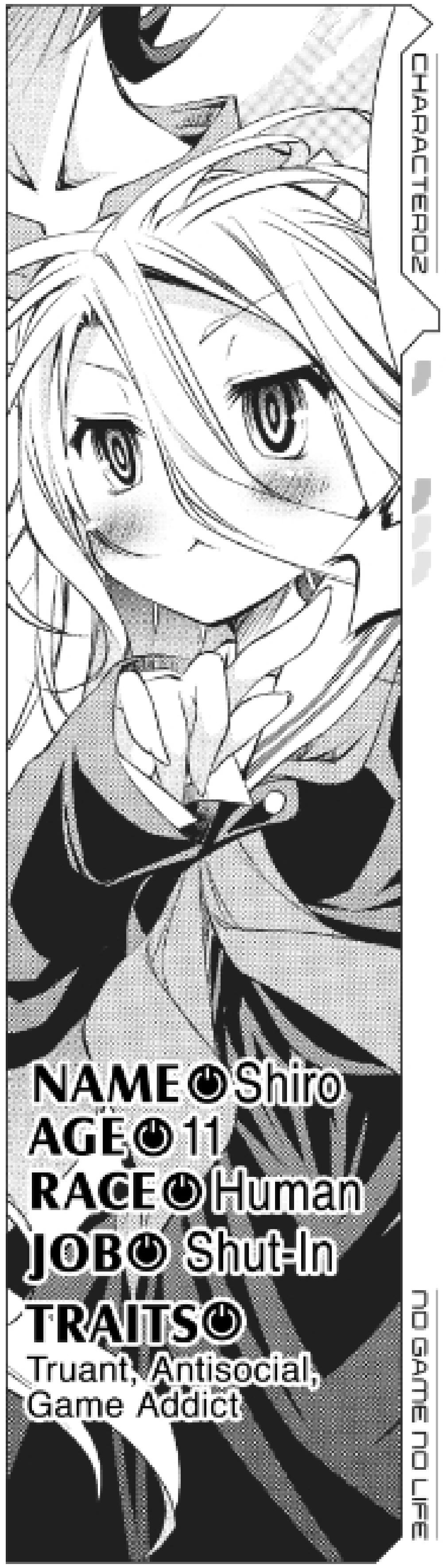
NAME Sora
AGE 18
RACE Human
JOB NEET
[Not in Employment Education or Training]
TRAITS
Virgin, Antisocial, Game Addict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NAME Shiro
AGE 11
RACE Human
JOB Shut-In
TRAITS
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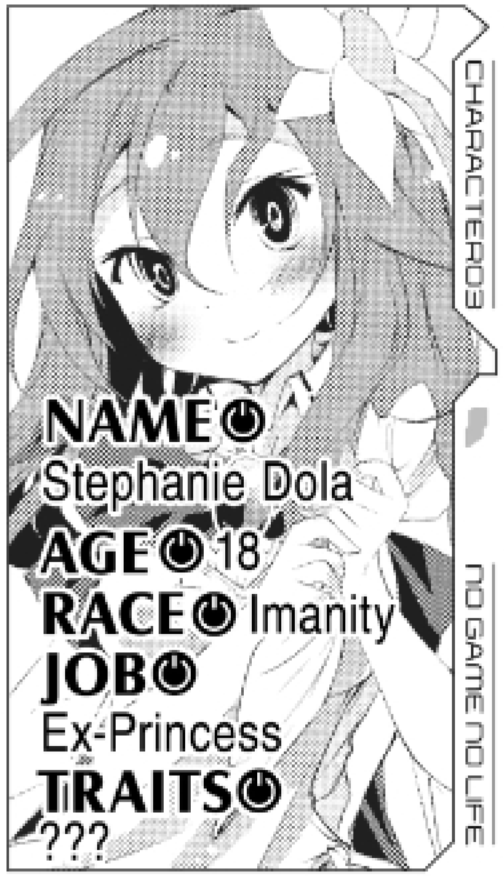
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NAME
Stephanie Dola
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RACE Imanity
JOB
Ex-Princess
TRAITS
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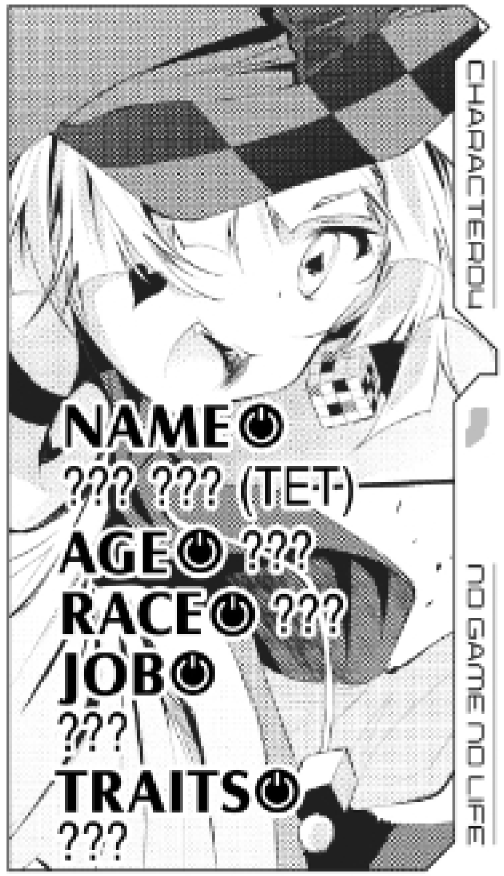
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AGE ???
RACE ???
JOB
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TRAITS
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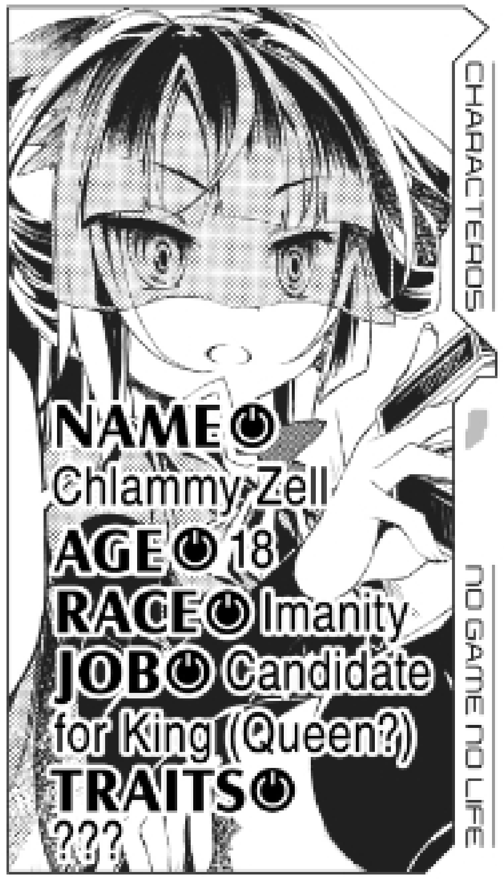
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NAME
Chlammy Zell
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RACE Imanity
JOB Candidate for King (Queen?)
TRAITS
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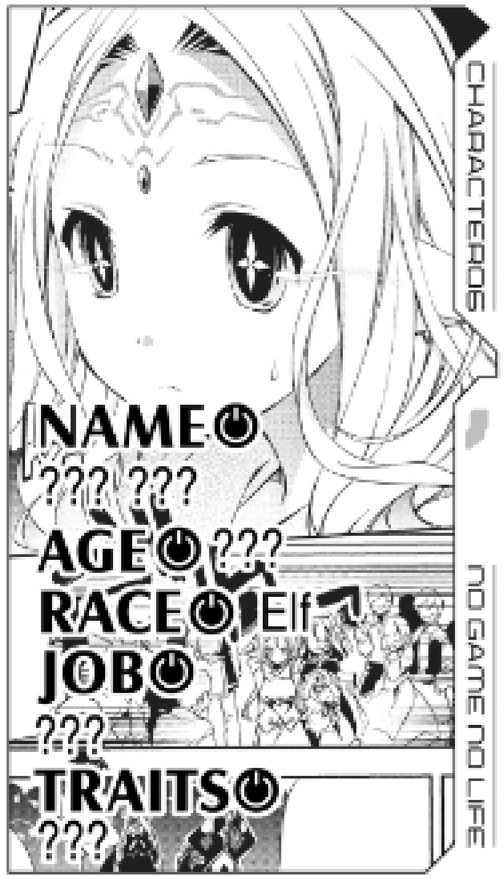
CHARACTER06
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NAME
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AGE ???
RACE Elf
JOB
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TRAITS
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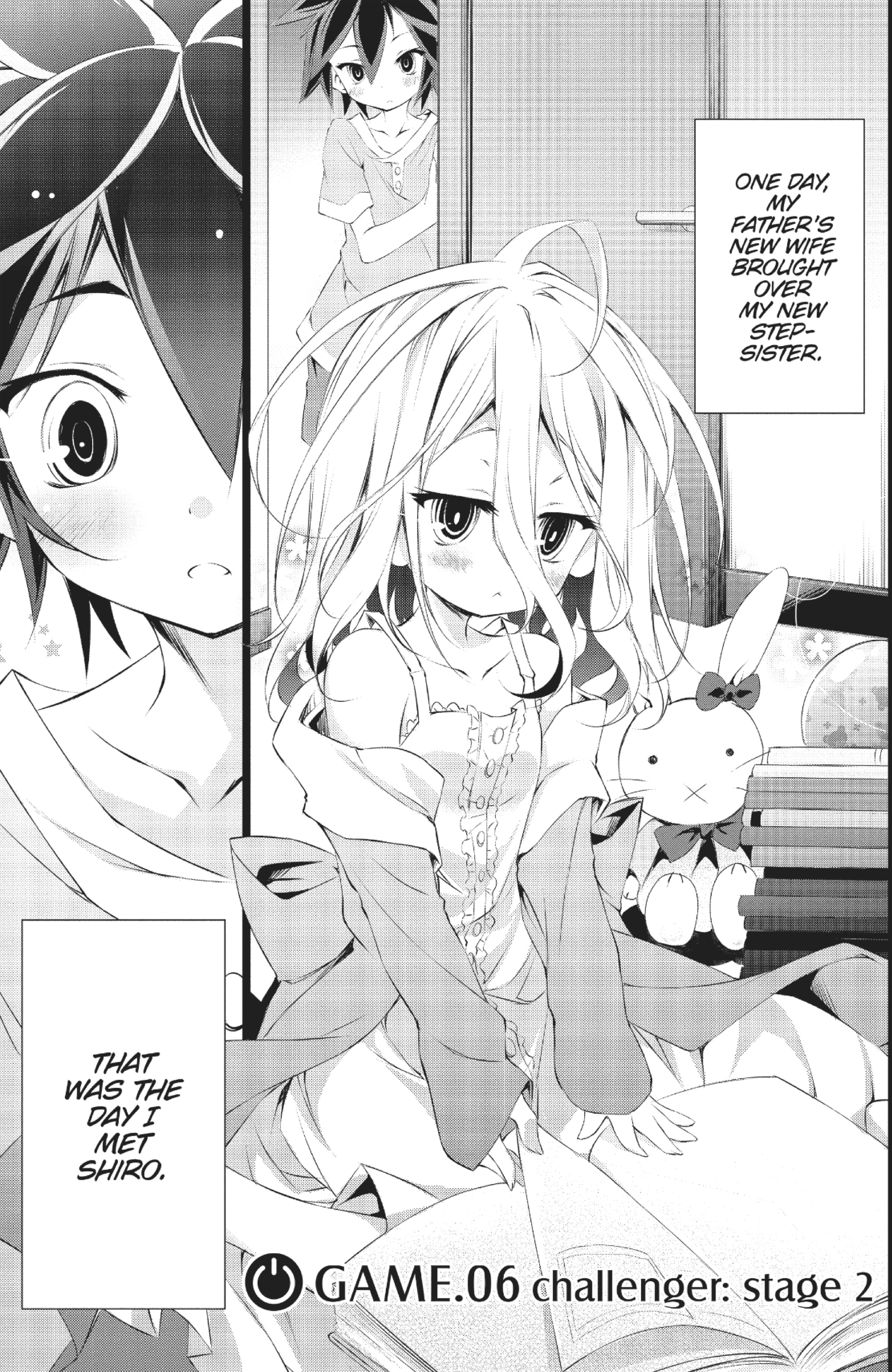
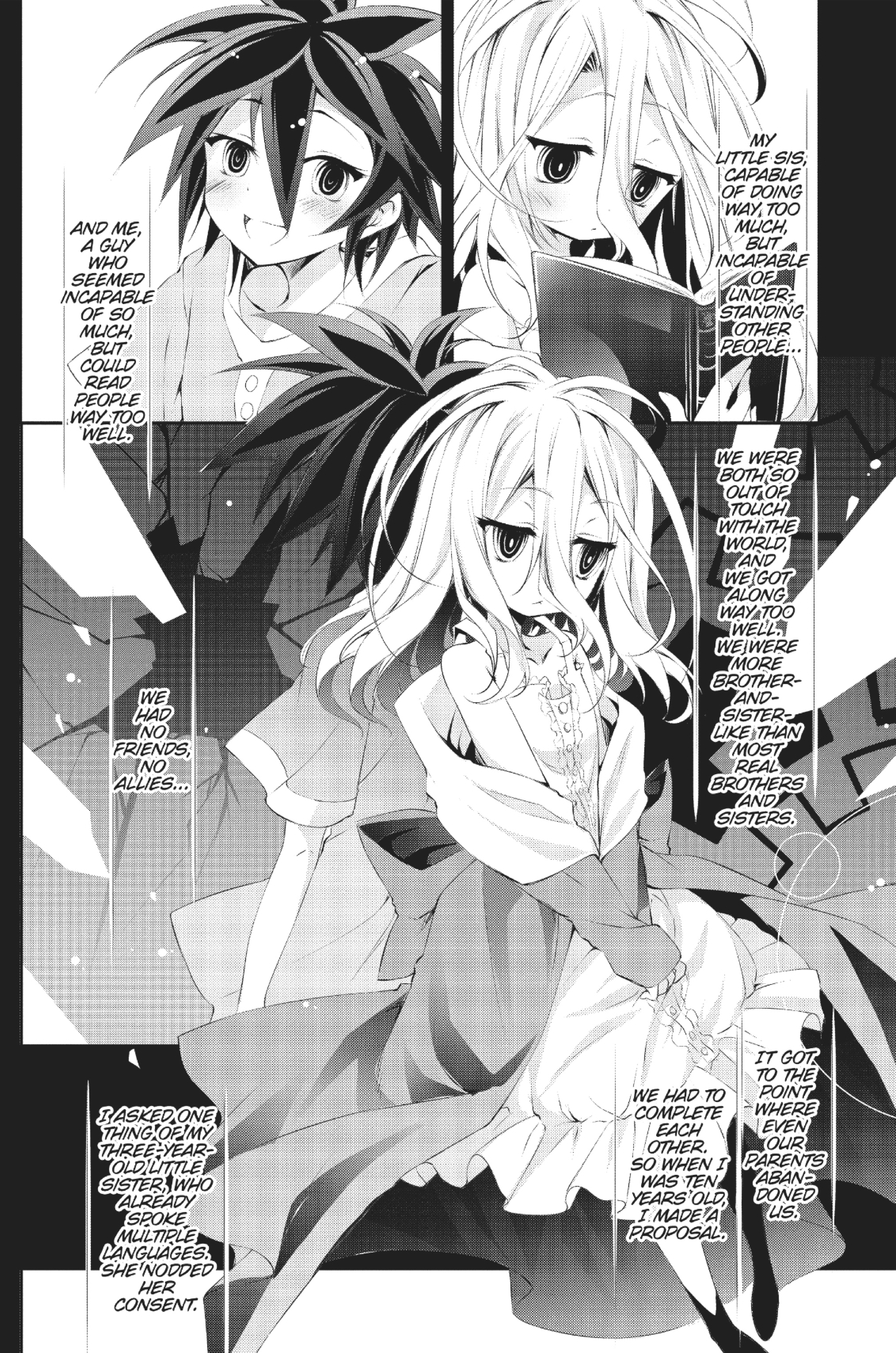
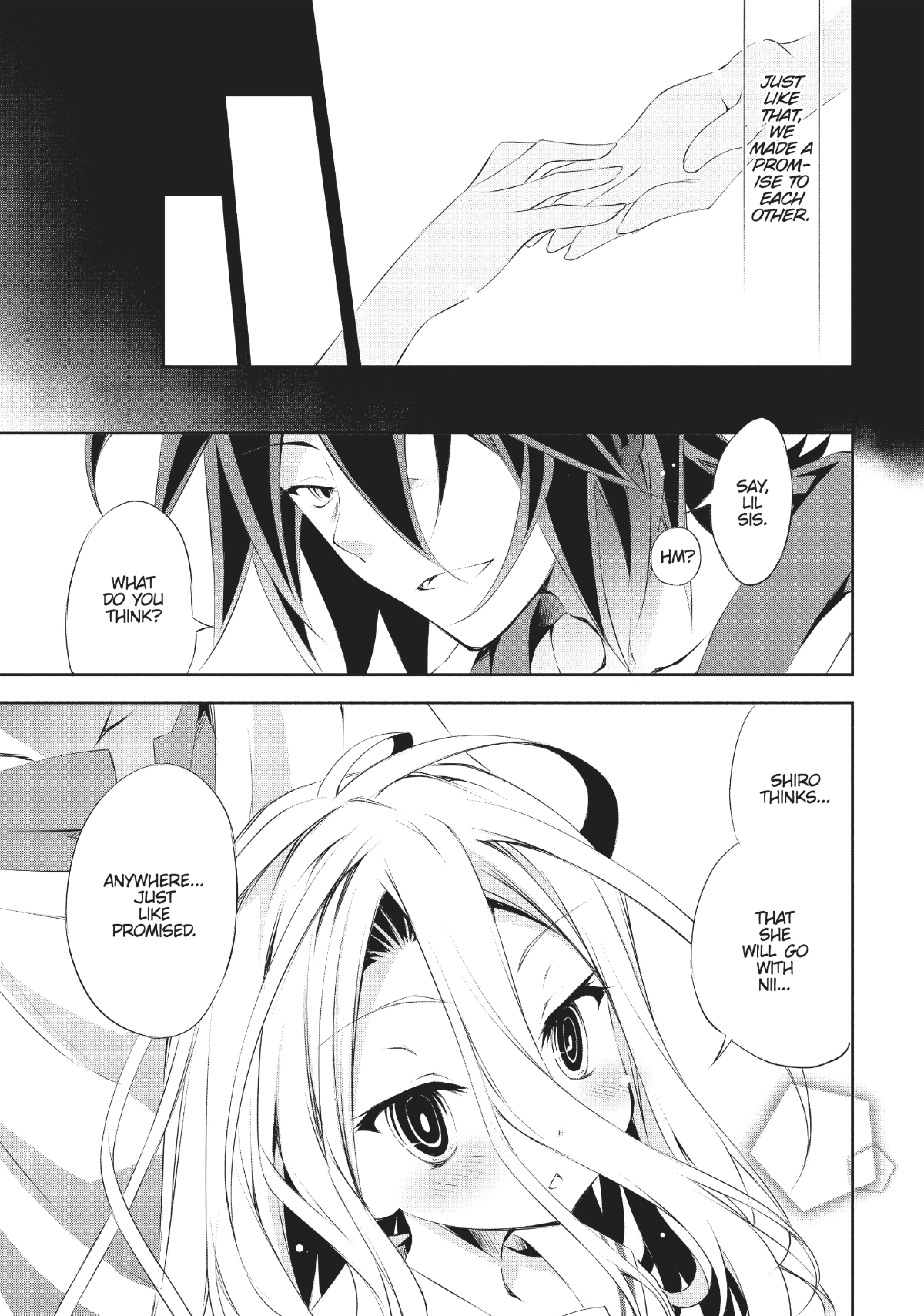
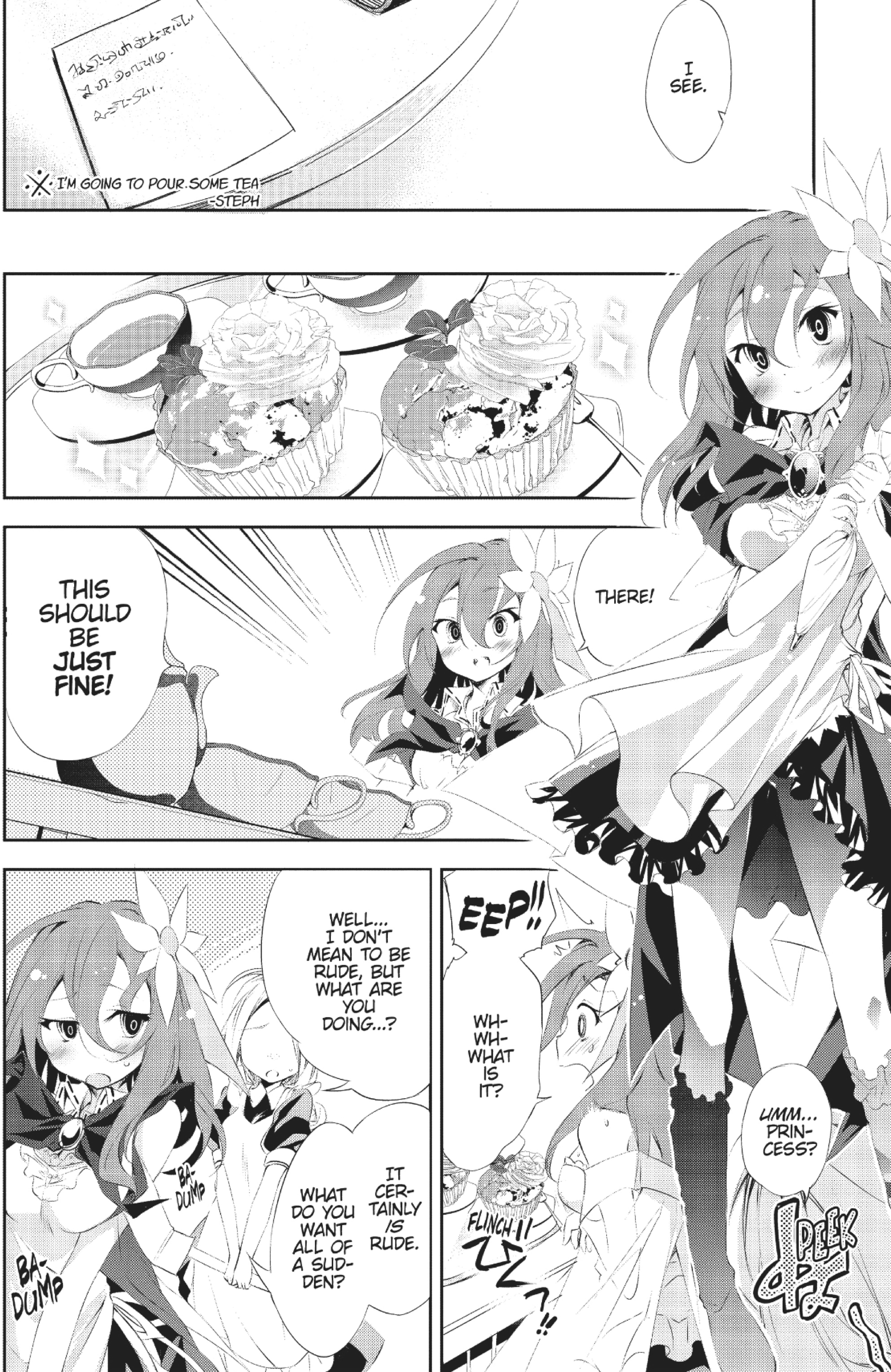
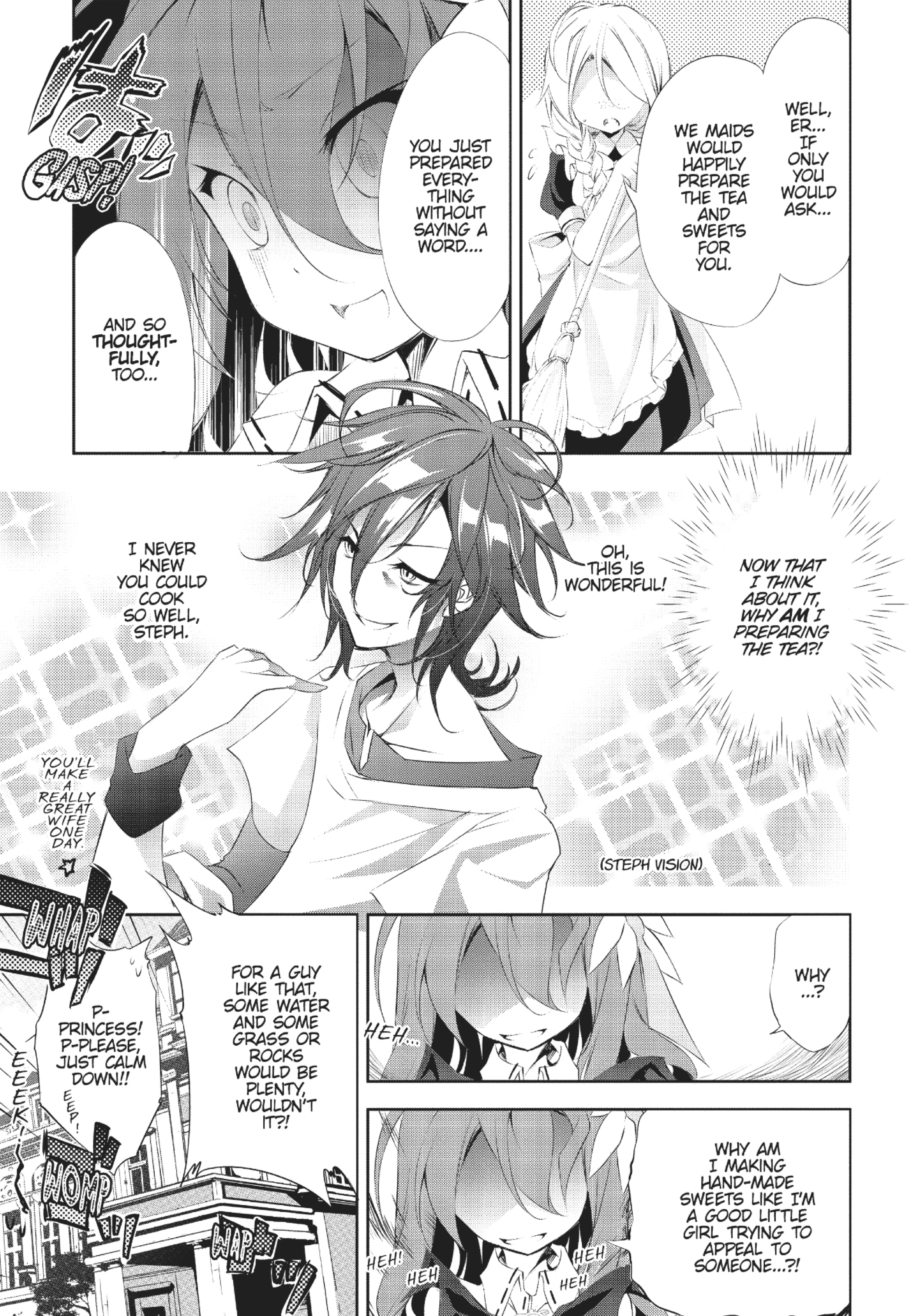
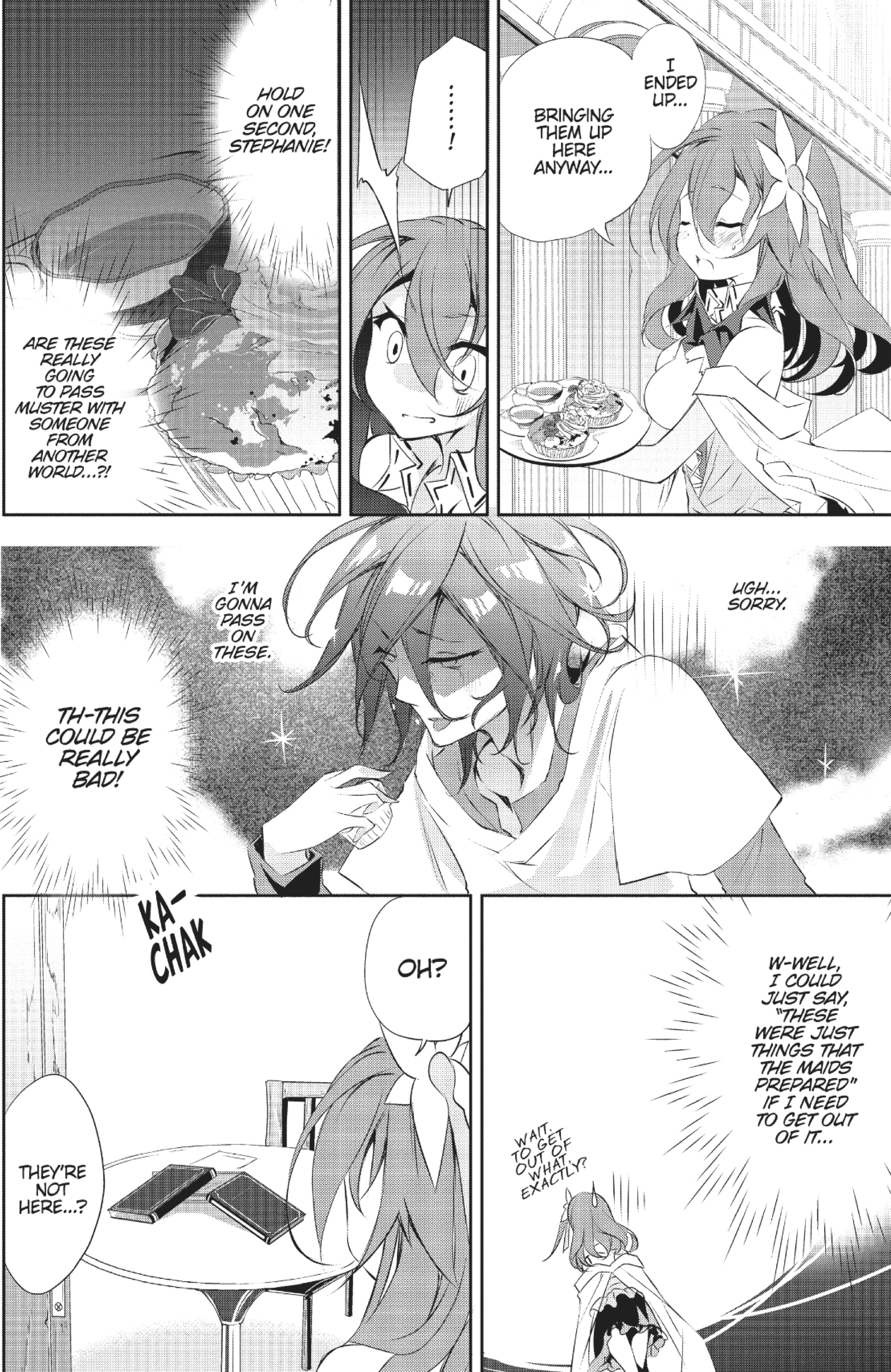

ONE DAY, MY FATHER'S NEW WIFE BROUGHT OVER MY NEW STEPSISTER.
THAT WAS THE DAY I MET SHIRO.

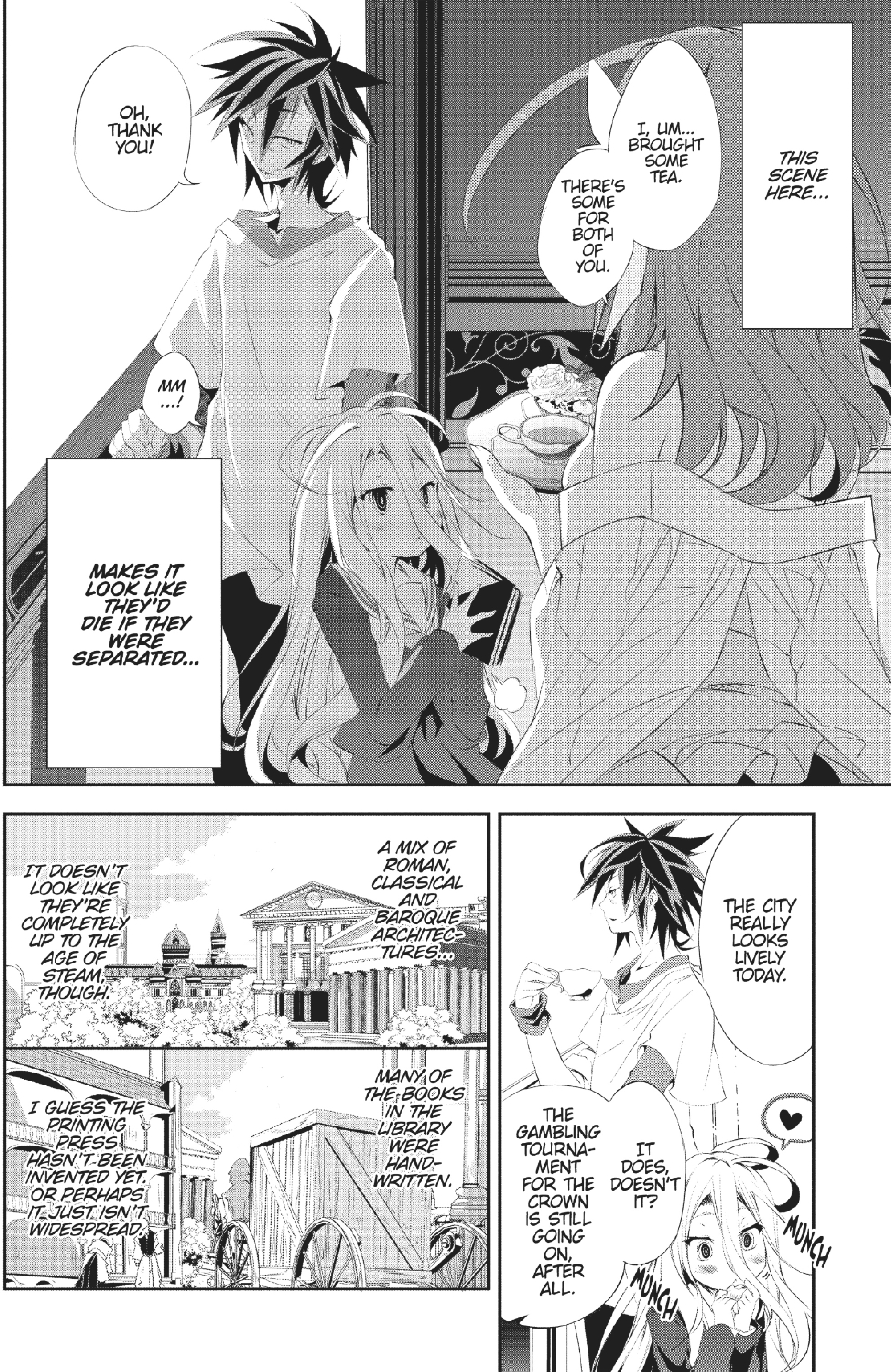

MY LITTLE SIS, CAPABLE OF DOING WAY TOO MUCH, BUT INCAPABLE OF UNDERSTANDING OTHER PEOPLE...
AND ME, A GUY WHO SEEMED INCAPABLE OF SO MUCH, BUT COULD READ PEOPLE WAY TOO WELL.
WE WERE BOTH SO OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE WORLD, AND WE GOT ALONG WAY TOO WELL. WE WERE MORE BROTHER-AND-SISTER-LIKE THAN MOST REAL BROTHERS AND SISTERS.
WE HAD NO FRIENDS, NO ALLIES...
IT GOT TO THE POINT WHERE EVEN OUR PARENTS ABANDONED US.
WE HAD TO COMPLETE EACH OTHER. SO WHEN I WAS TEN YEARS OLD, I MADE A PROPOSAL.
I ASKED ONE THING OF MY THREE-YEAR-OLD LITTLE SISTER, WHO ALREADY SPOKE MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. SHE NODDED HER CONSENT.

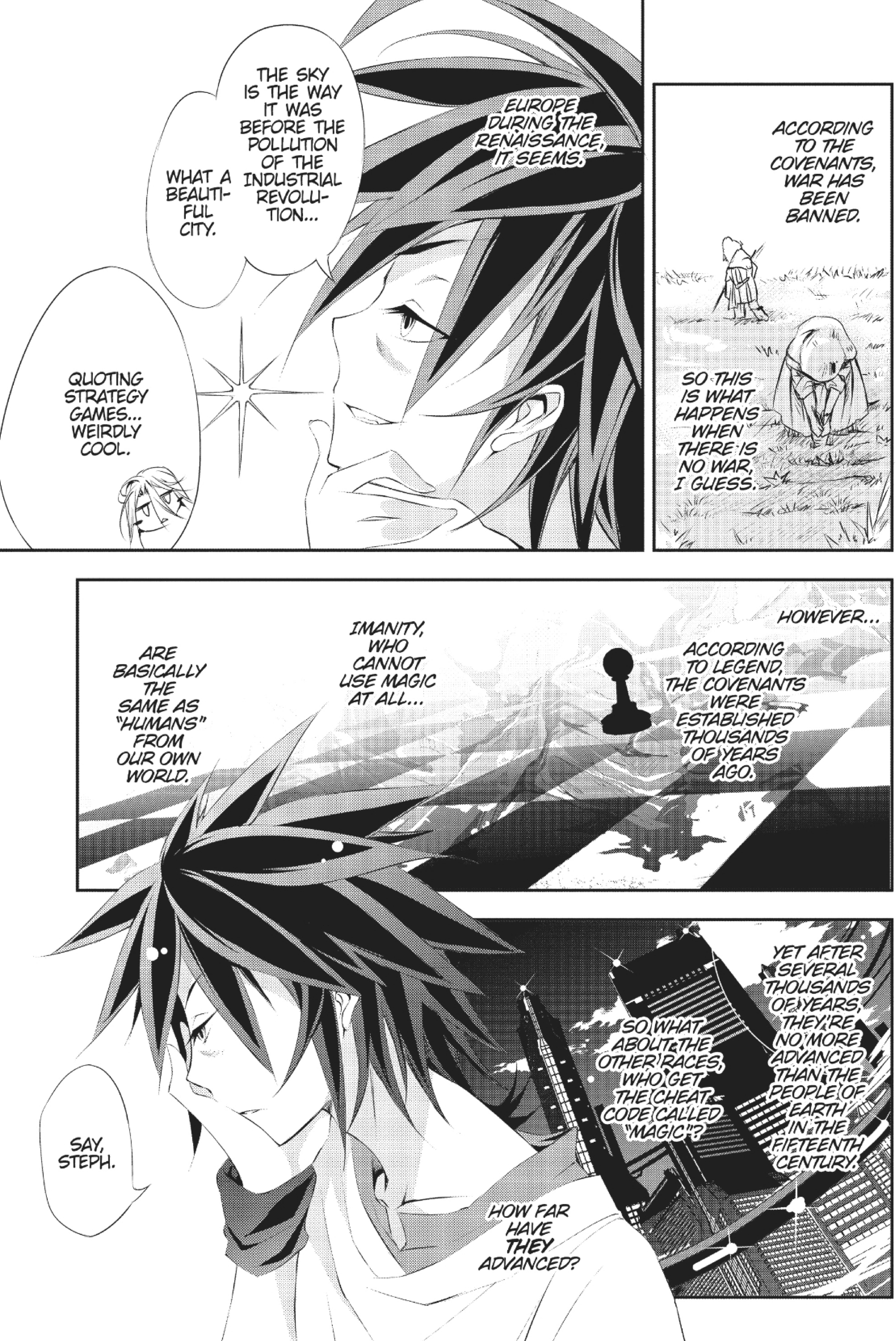

JUST LIKE THAT, WE MADE A PROMISE TO EACH OTHER.
SAY, LIL SIS.
HM?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
SHIRO THINKS...
THAT SHE WILL GO WITH NII...
ANYWHERE... JUST LIKE PROMISED.

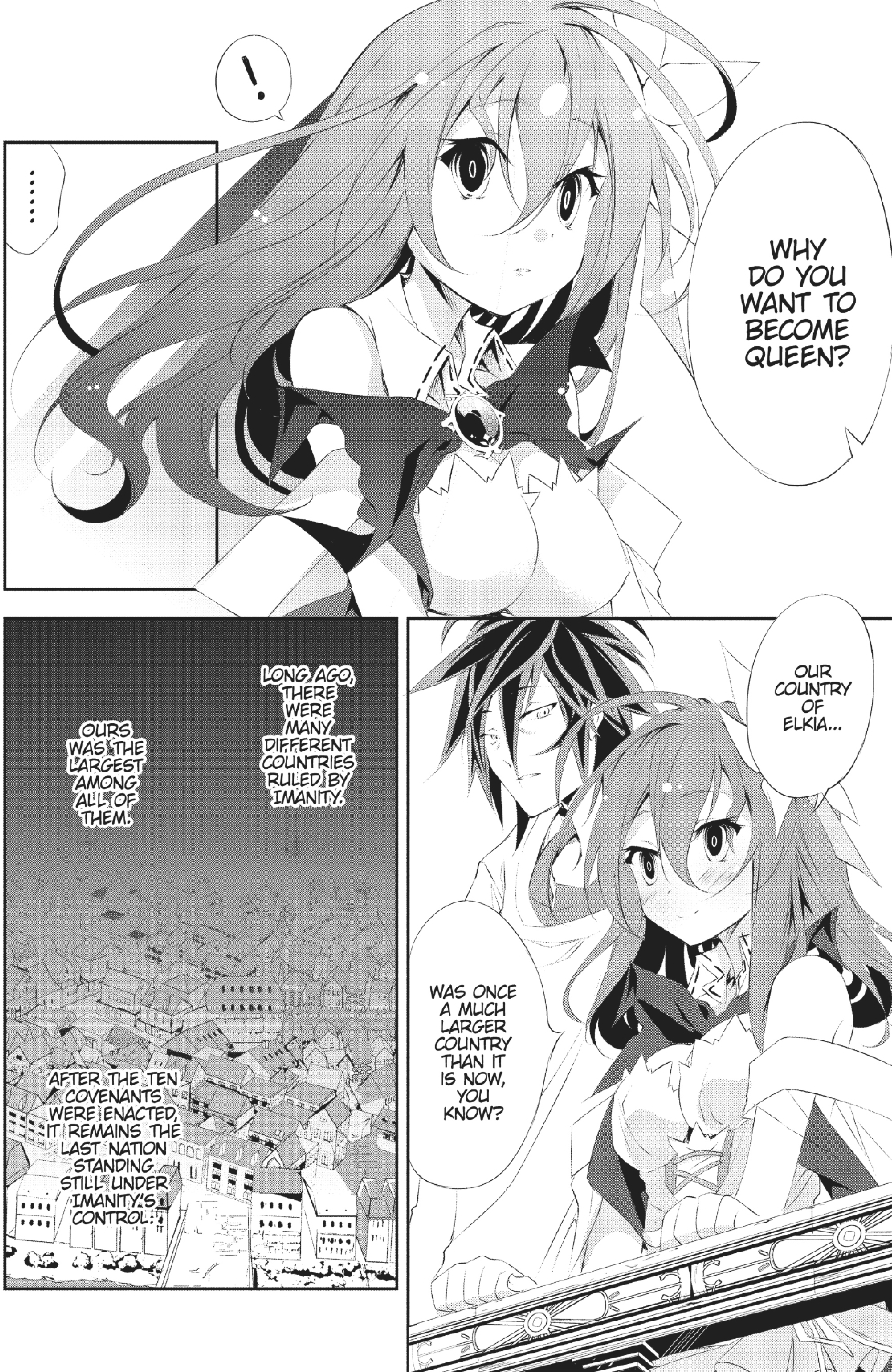

I SEE.
※ I'M GOING TO POUR SOME TEA -STEPH
THERE!
THIS SHOULD BE JUST FINE!
UMM... PRINCESS?
PEEK
EEP!!
WH-WH-WHAT IS IT?
FLINCH!!
WELL... I DON'T MEAN TO BE RUDE, BUT WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?
IT CERTAINLY IS RUDE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT ALL OF A SUDDEN?
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP

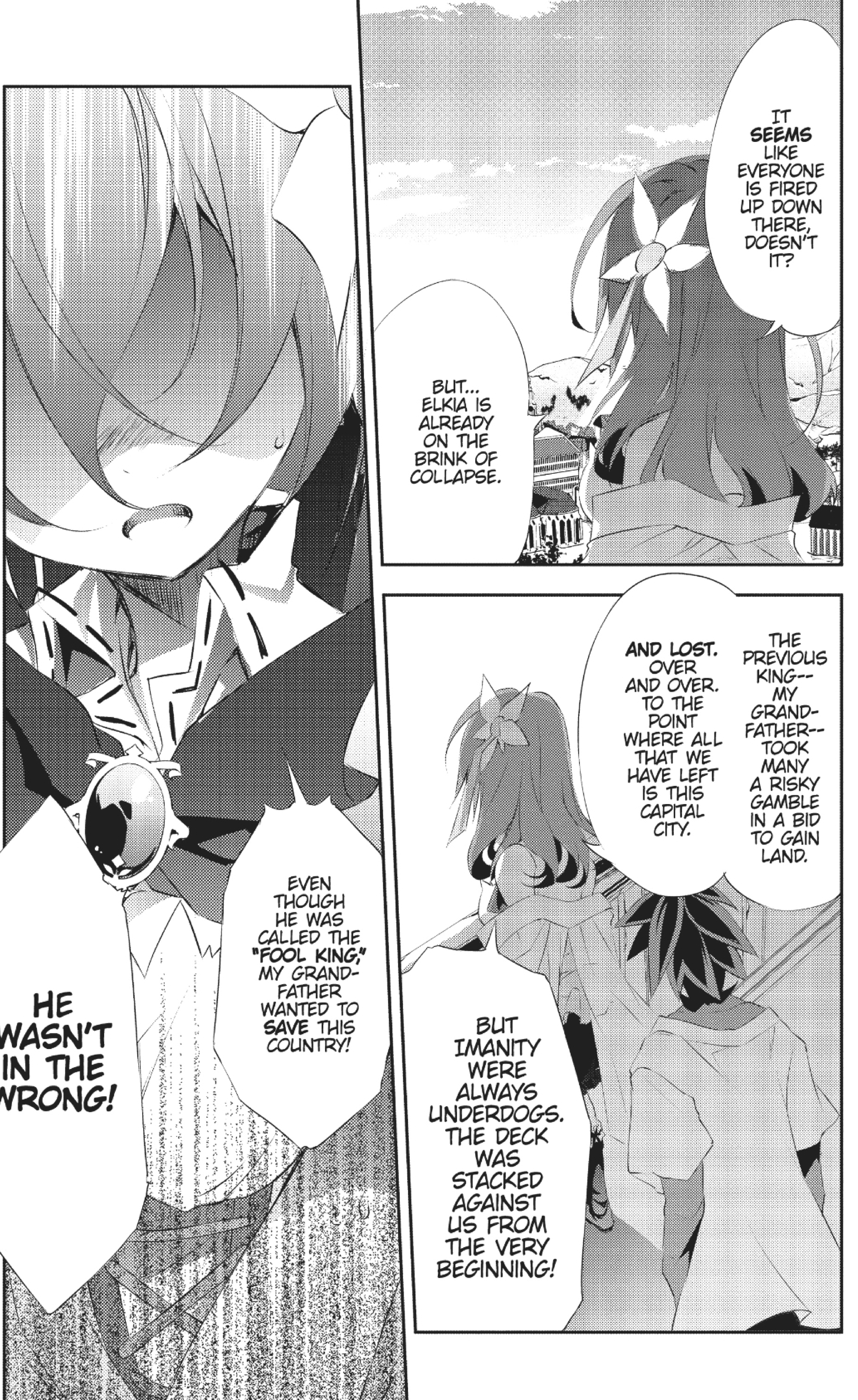

WELL, ER... IF ONLY YOU WOULD ASK...
WE MAIDS WOULD HAPPILY PREPARE THE TEA AND SWEETS FOR YOU.
GASP?!
YOU JUST PREPARED EVERYTHING WITHOUT SAYING A WORD....
AND SO THOUGHTFULLY, TOO...
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, WHY AM I PREPARING THE TEA?!
OH, THIS IS WONDERFUL!
I NEVER KNEW YOU COULD COOK SO WELL, STEPH.
YOU'LL MAKE A REALLY GREAT WIFE ONE DAY. ☆
(STEPH VISION)
WHY ...?
HEH...
WHY AM I MAKING HAND-MADE SWEETS LIKE I'M A GOOD LITTLE GIRL TRYING TO APPEAL TO SOMEONE...?!
HEH! HEH HEH HEH
FOR A GUY LIKE THAT, SOME WATER AND SOME GRASS OR ROCKS WOULD BE PLENTY, WOULDN'T IT?!
P-PRINCESS! P-PLEASE, JUST CALM DOWN!!
EEEEK!
EEP!
WHAP!!
WOMP!!
WAP!!

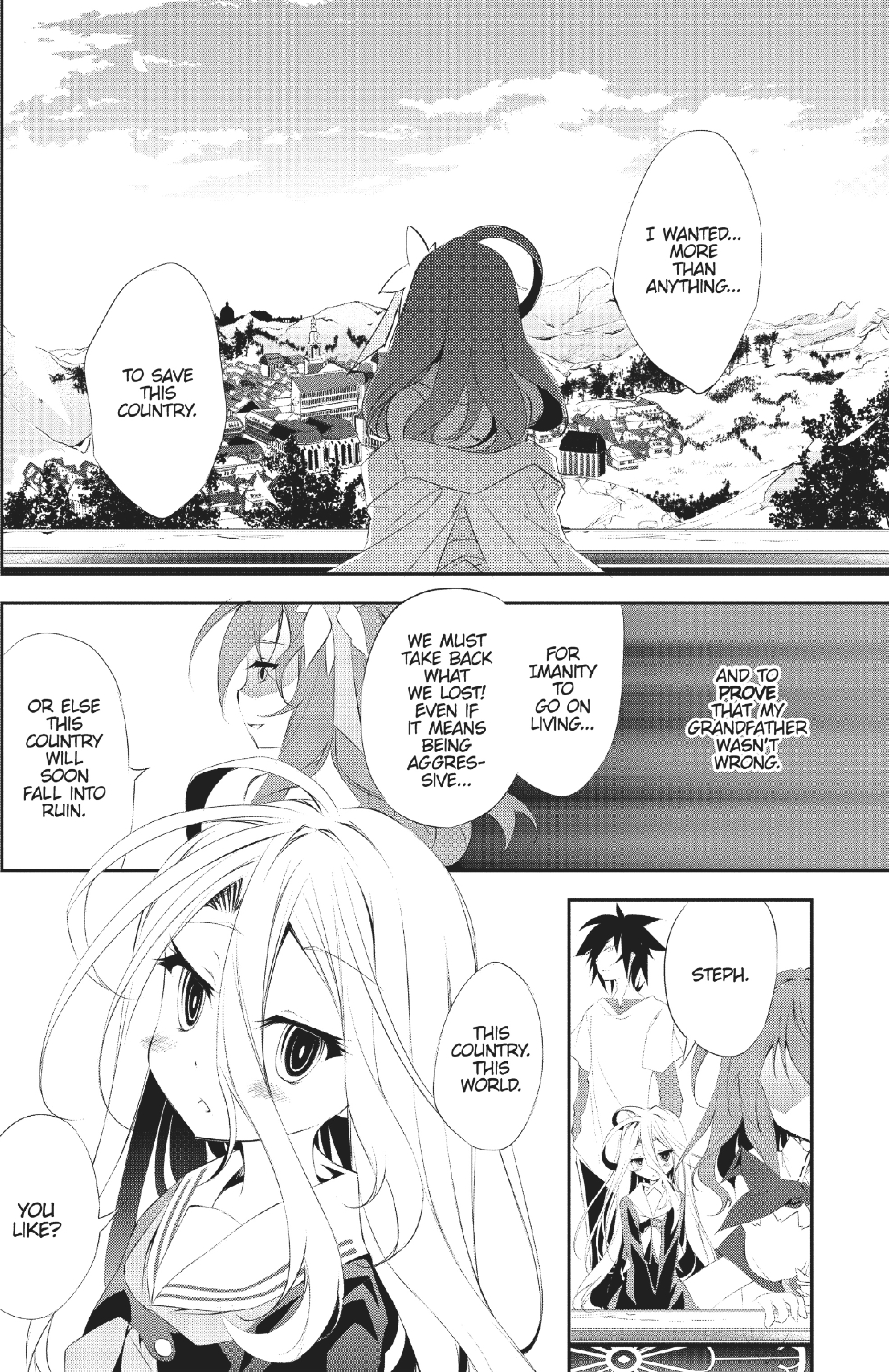

I ENDED UP...
BRINGING THEM UP HERE ANYWAY...
......!
HOLD ON ONE SECOND, STEPHANIE!
ARE THESE REALLY GOING TO PASS MUSTER WITH SOMEONE FROM ANOTHER WORLD...?!
UGH... SORRY.
I'M GONNA PASS ON THESE.
TH-THIS COULD BE REALLY BAD!
W-WELL, I COULD JUST SAY, "THESE WERE JUST THINGS THAT THE MAIDS PREPARED" IF I NEED TO GET OUT OF IT...
WAIT. TO GET OUT OF WHAT, EXACTLY?
KA-CHAK
OH?
THEY'RE NOT HERE...?

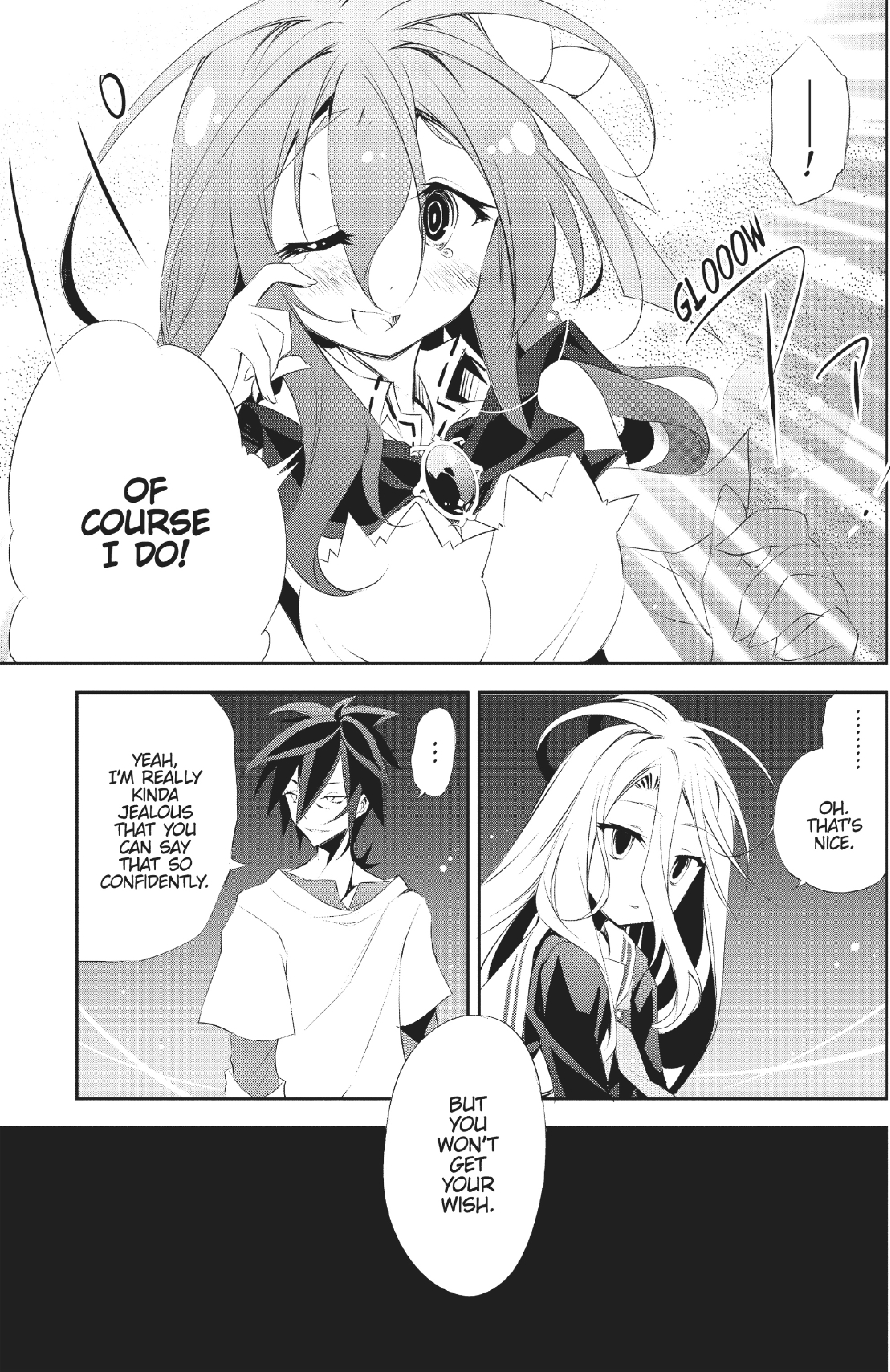

THIS SCENE HERE...
I, UM... BROUGHT SOME TEA.
THERE'S SOME FOR BOTH OF YOU.
OH, THANK YOU!
MM ...!
MAKES IT LOOK LIKE THEY'D DIE IF THEY WERE SEPARATED...
THE CITY REALLY LOOKS LIVELY TODAY.
THE GAMBLING TOURNAMENT FOR THE CROWN IS STILL GOING ON, AFTER ALL.
IT DOES, DOESN'T IT?
♥
MUNCH
MUNCH
A MIX OF ROMAN, CLASSICAL AND BAROQUE ARCHITECTURES...
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE COMPLETELY UP TO THE AGE OF STEAM, THOUGH.
MANY OF THE BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY WERE HANDWRITTEN.
I GUESS THE PRINTING PRESS HASN'T BEEN INVENTED YET. OR PERHAPS IT JUST ISN'T WIDESPREAD.

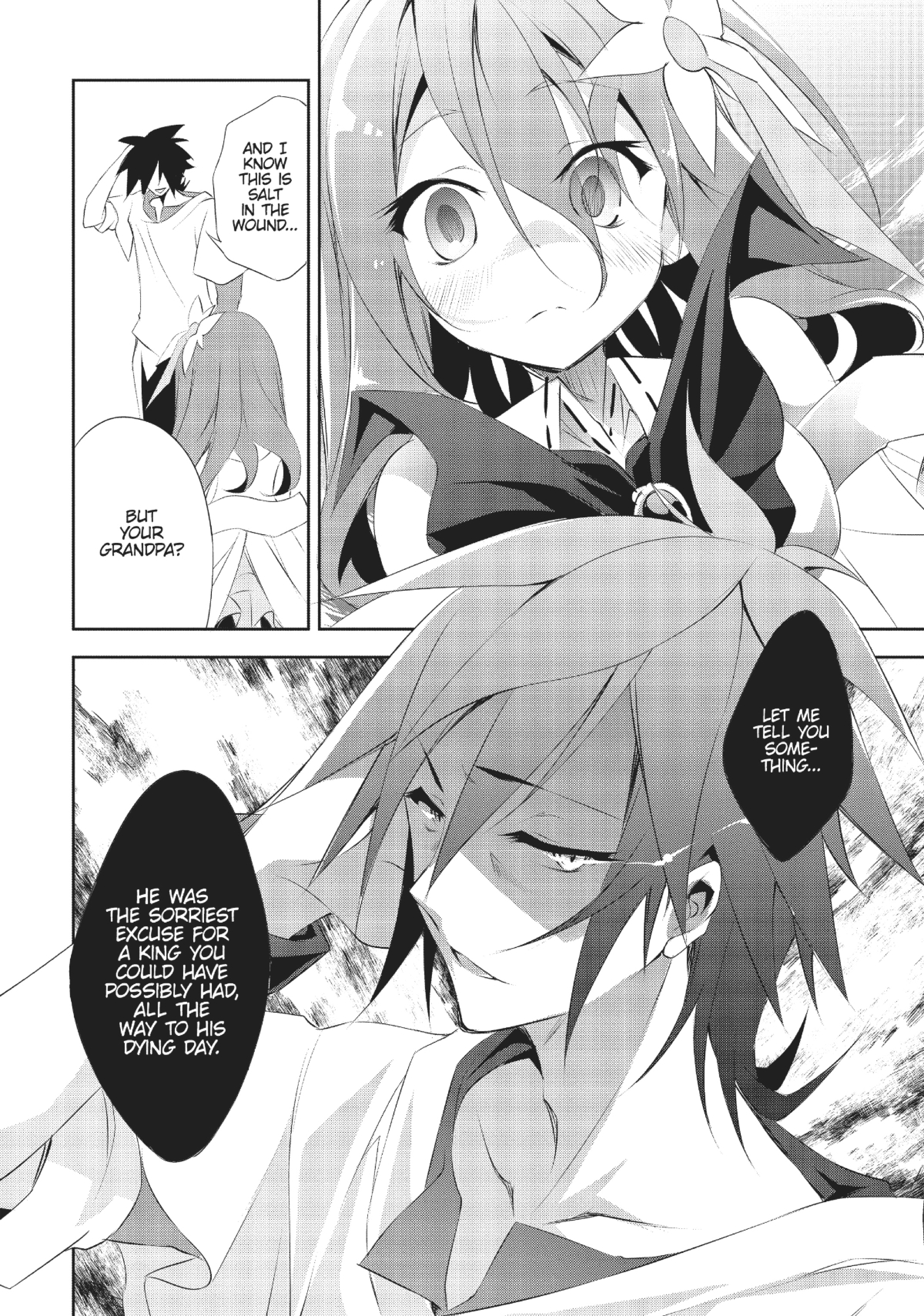

ACCORDING TO THE COVENANTS, WAR HAS BEEN BANNED.
SO THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE IS NO WAR, I GUESS.
EUROPE DURING THE RENAISSANCE, IT SEEMS.
THE SKY IS THE WAY IT WAS BEFORE THE POLLUTION OF THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION...
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL CITY.
QUOTING STRATEGY GAMES... WEIRDLY COOL.
HOWEVER...
ACCORDING TO LEGEND, THE COVENANTS WERE ESTABLISHED THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO.
IMANITY, WHO CANNOT USE MAGIC AT ALL...
ARE BASICALLY THE SAME AS "HUMANS" FROM OUR OWN WORLD.
YET AFTER SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF YEARS, THEY'RE NO MORE ADVANCED THAN THE PEOPLE OF EARTH IN THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY.
SO WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER RACES, WHO GET THE CHEAT CODE CALLED "MAGIC"?
HOW FAR HAVE **THEY** ADVANCED?
SAY, STEPH.

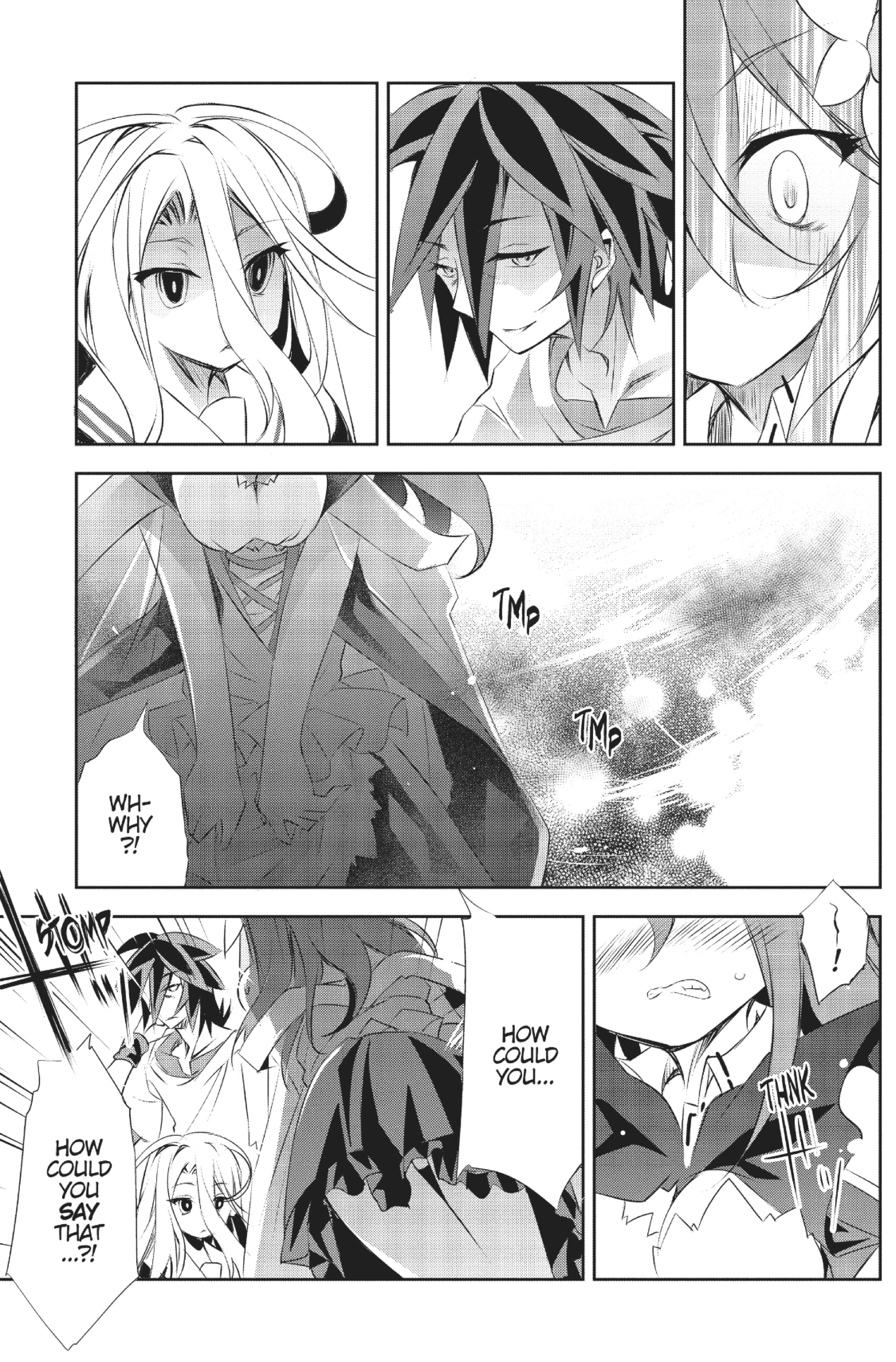

WHY DO YOU WANT TO BECOME QUEEN?
!
......
OUR COUNTRY OF ELKIA...
WAS ONCE A MUCH LARGER COUNTRY THAN IT IS NOW, YOU KNOW?
LONG AGO, THERE WERE MANY DIFFERENT COUNTRIES RULED BY IMANITY.
OURS WAS THE LARGEST AMONG ALL OF THEM.
AFTER THE TEN COVENANTS WERE ENACTED, IT REMAINS THE LAST NATION STANDING STILL UNDER IMANITY'S CONTROL.

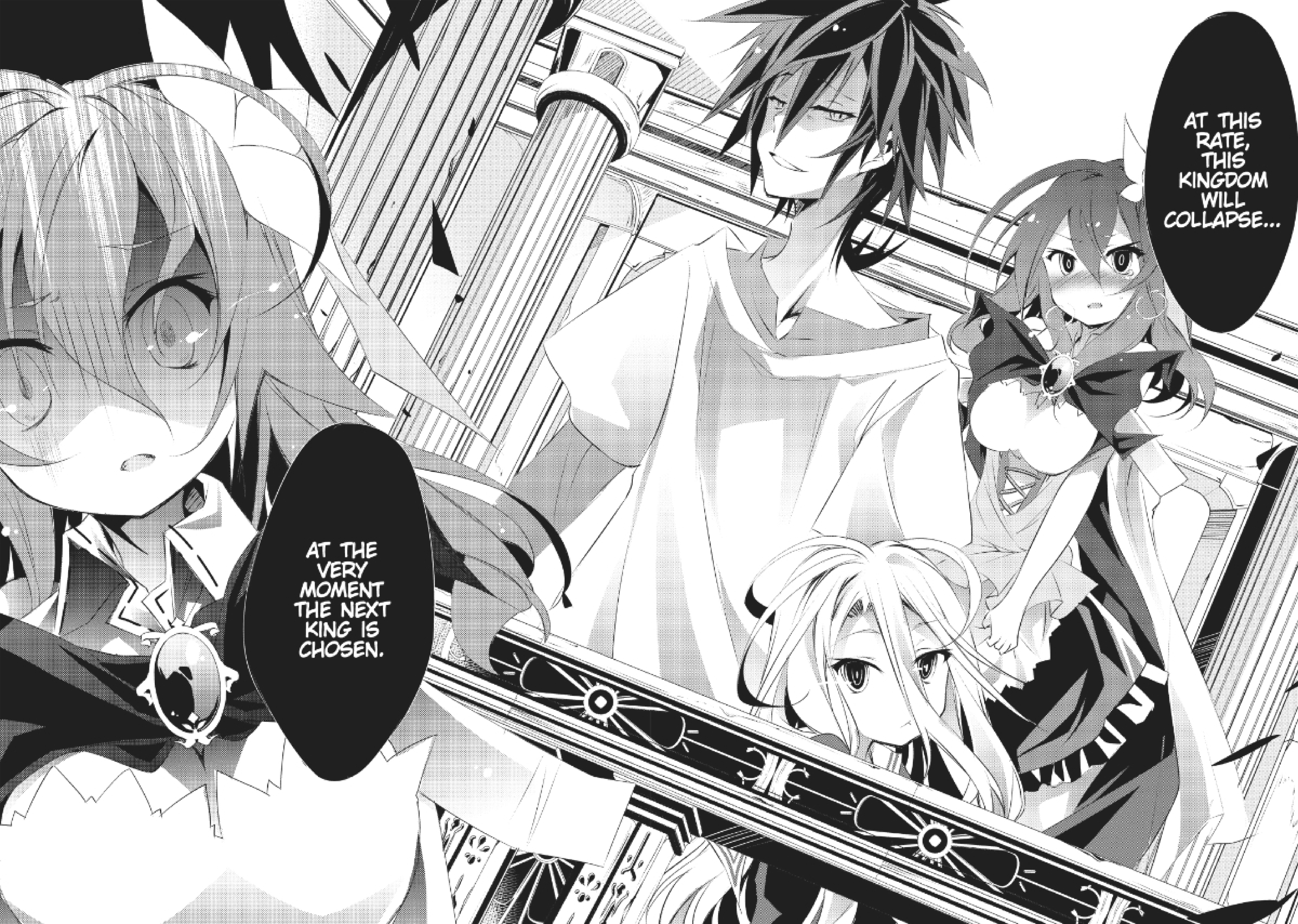

IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYONE IS FIRED UP DOWN THERE, DOESN'T IT?
BUT... ELKIA IS ALREADY ON THE BRINK OF COLLAPSE.
THE PREVIOUS KING--MY GRANDFATHER--TOOK MANY A RISKY GAMBLE IN A BID TO GAIN LAND.
AND LOST. OVER AND OVER. TO THE POINT WHERE ALL THAT WE HAVE LEFT IS THIS CAPITAL CITY.
BUT IMANITY WERE ALWAYS UNDERDOGS. THE DECK WAS STACKED AGAINST US FROM THE VERY BEGINNING!
EVEN THOUGH HE WAS CALLED THE "FOOL KING," MY GRANDFATHER WANTED TO SAVE THIS COUNTRY!
HE WASN'T IN THE WRONG!

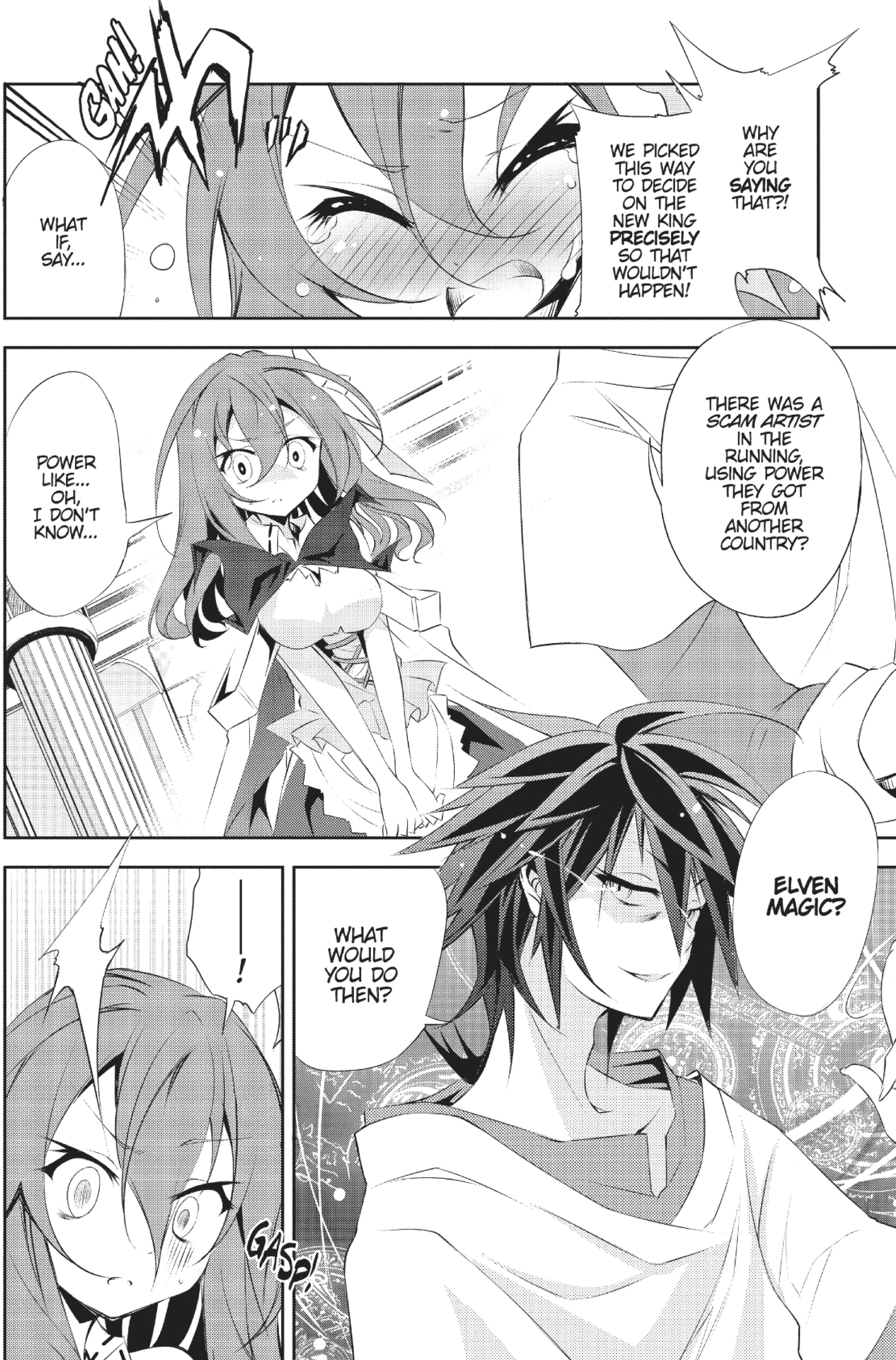

I WANTED... MORE THAN ANYTHING...
TO SAVE THIS COUNTRY.
AND TO **PROVE** THAT MY GRANDFATHER WASN'T WRONG.
FOR IMANITY TO GO ON LIVING...
WE MUST TAKE BACK WHAT WE LOST! EVEN IF IT MEANS BEING AGGRESSIVE...
OR ELSE THIS COUNTRY WILL SOON FALL INTO RUIN.
STEPH.
THIS COUNTRY. THIS WORLD.
YOU LIKE?

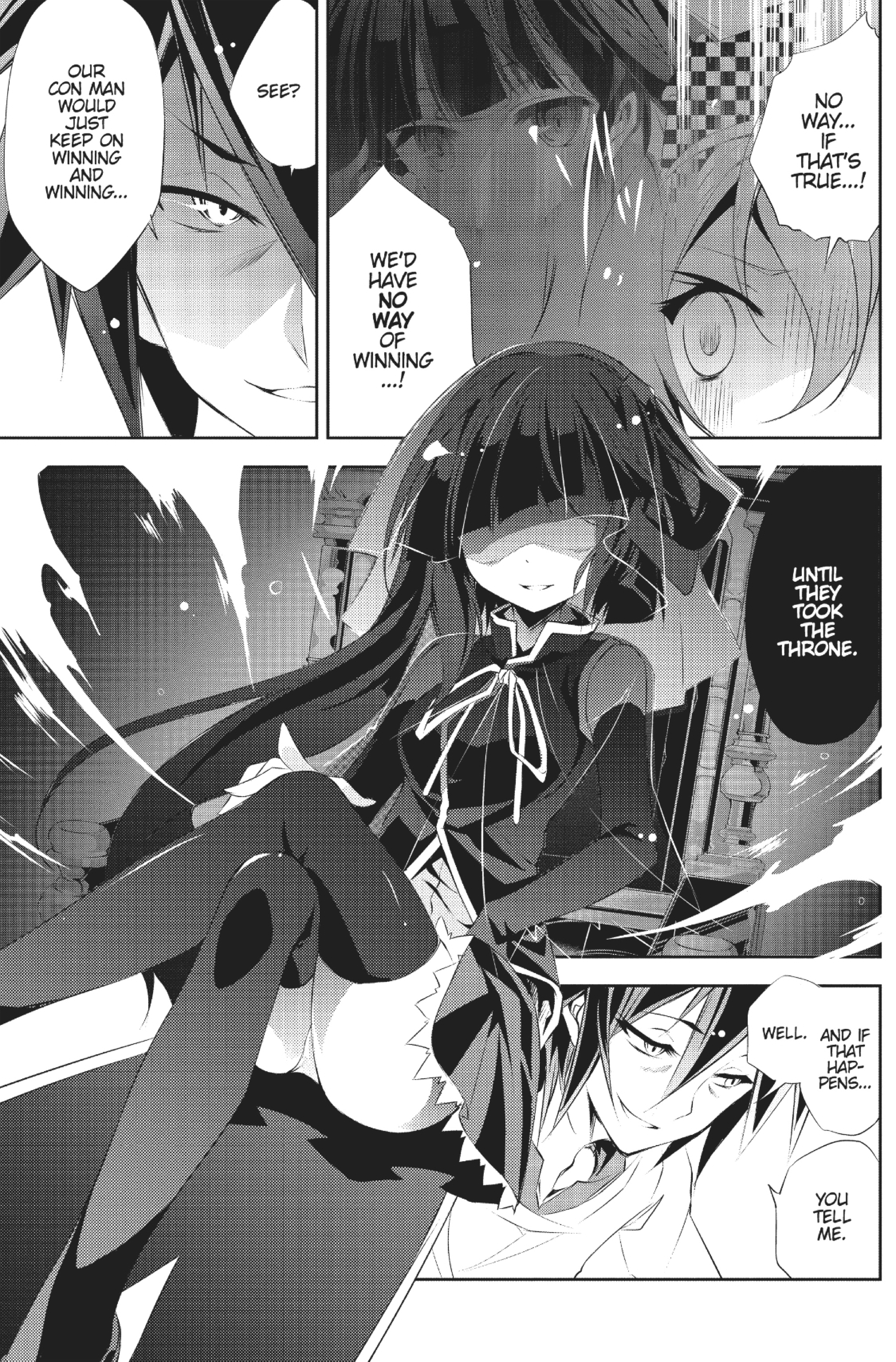

—!
GLOOOW
OF COURSE I DO!
……
OH. THAT'S NICE.
…
YEAH, I'M REALLY KINDA JEALOUS THAT YOU CAN SAY THAT SO CONFIDENTLY.
BUT YOU WON'T GET YOUR WISH.

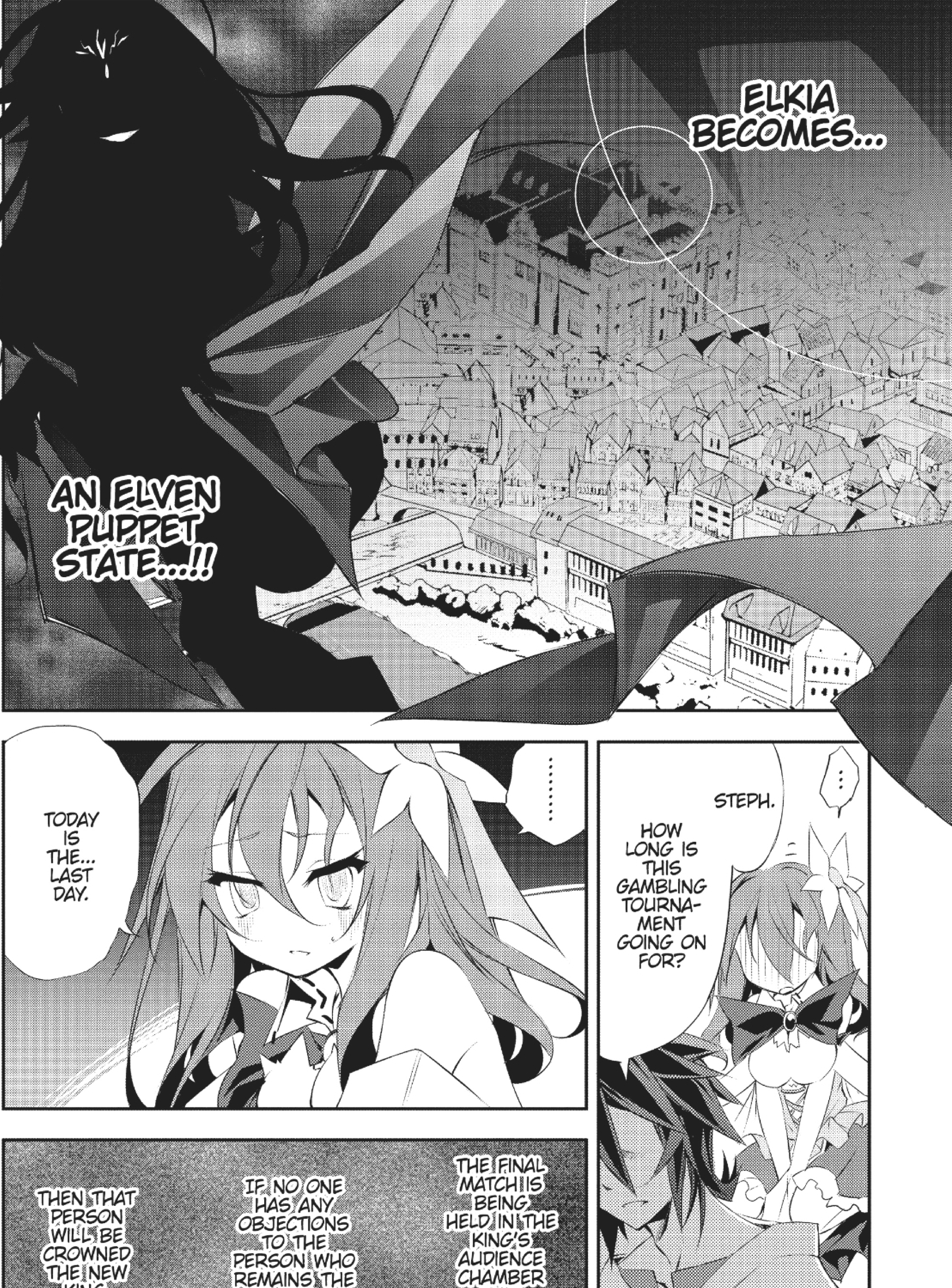

AND I KNOW THIS IS SALT IN THE WOUND...
BUT YOUR GRANDPA?
LET ME TELL YOU SOME-THING...
HE WAS THE SORRIEST EXCUSE FOR A KING YOU COULD HAVE POSSIBLY HAD, ALL THE WAY TO HIS DYING DAY.

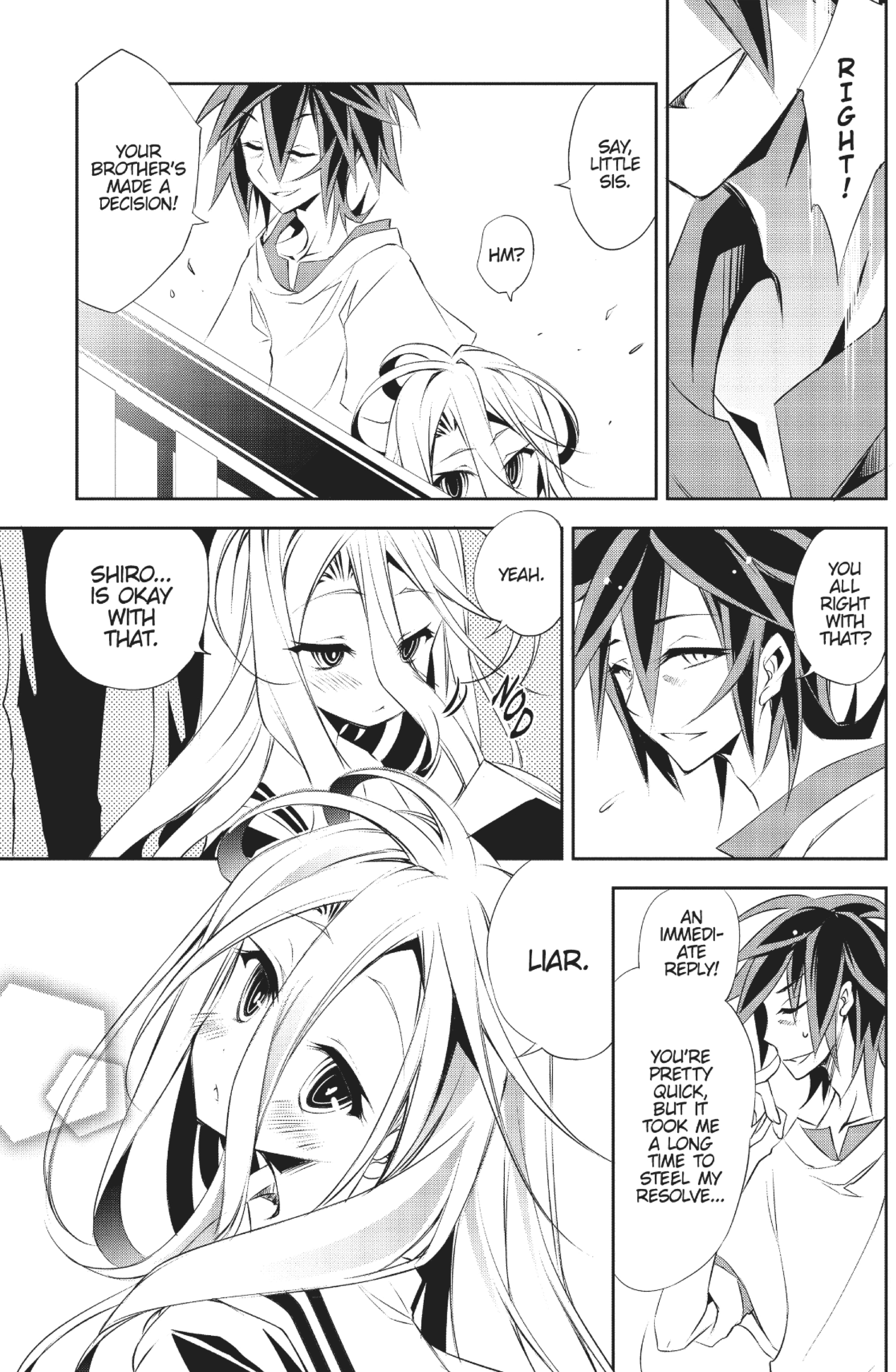

TMP
TMP
WH- WHY ?!
!
THNK
HOW COULD YOU...
HOW COULD YOU SAY THAT ...?!
STOMP

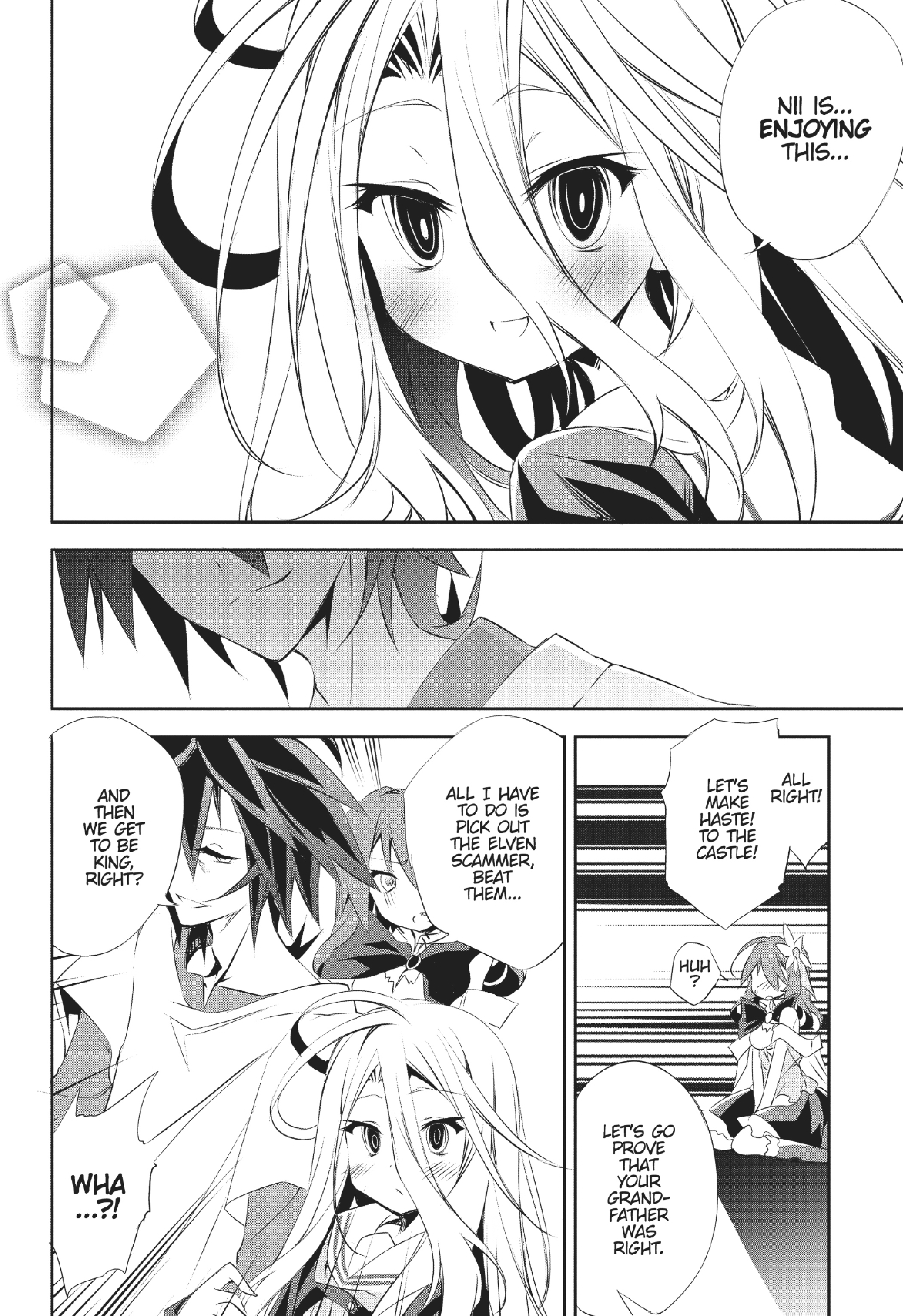

AT THIS RATE, THIS KINGDOM WILL COLLAPSE...
AT THE VERY MOMENT THE NEXT KING IS CHOSEN.

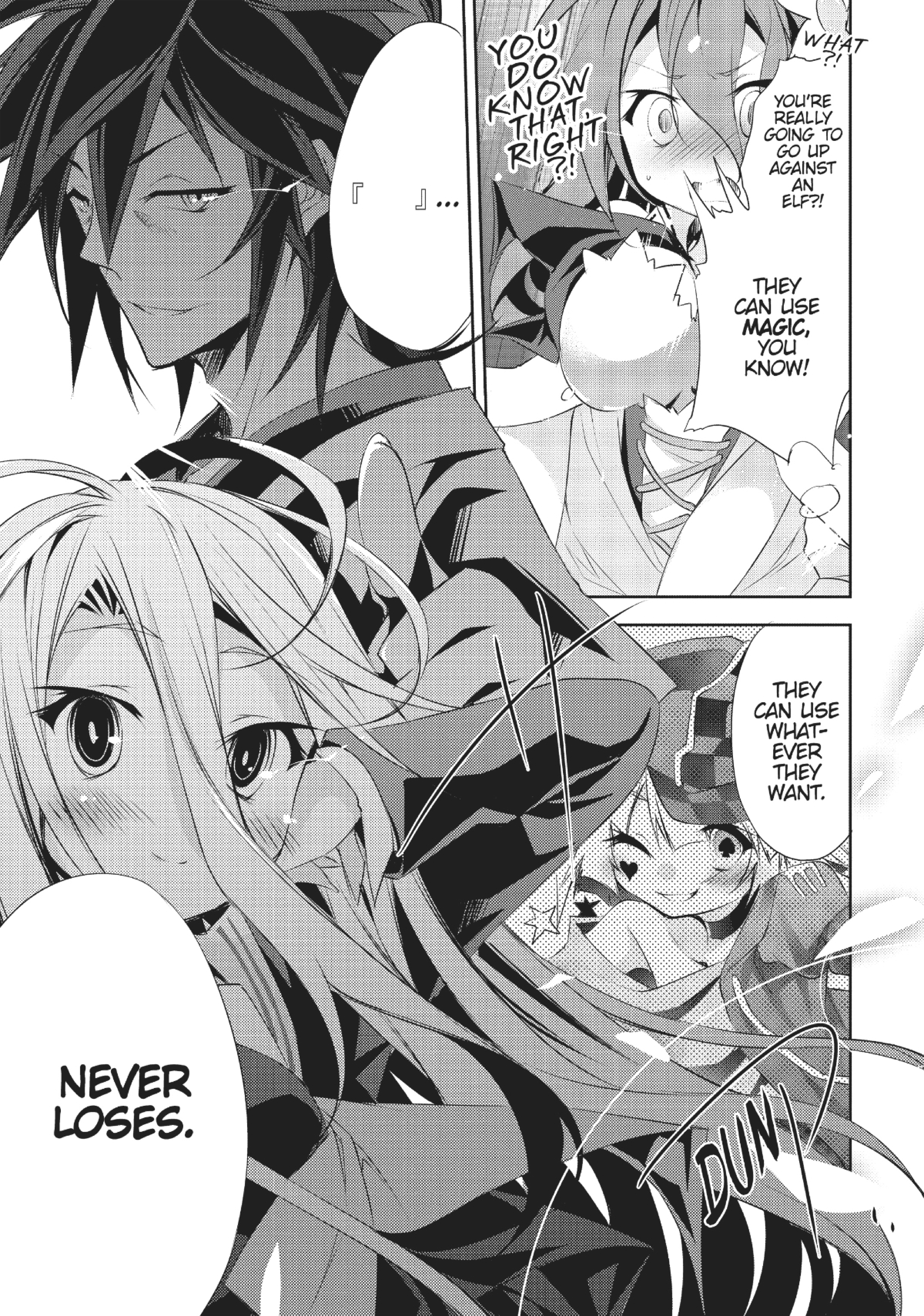

WHY ARE YOU **SAYING** THAT?!
WE PICKED THIS WAY TO DECIDE ON THE NEW KING **PRECISELY** SO THAT WOULDN'T HAPPEN!
GAH!
WHAT IF, SAY...
THERE WAS A *SCAM ARTIST* IN THE RUNNING, USING POWER THEY GOT FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY?
POWER LIKE... OH, I DON'T KNOW...
ELVEN MAGIC?
WHAT WOULD YOU DO THEN?
—!
GASP!

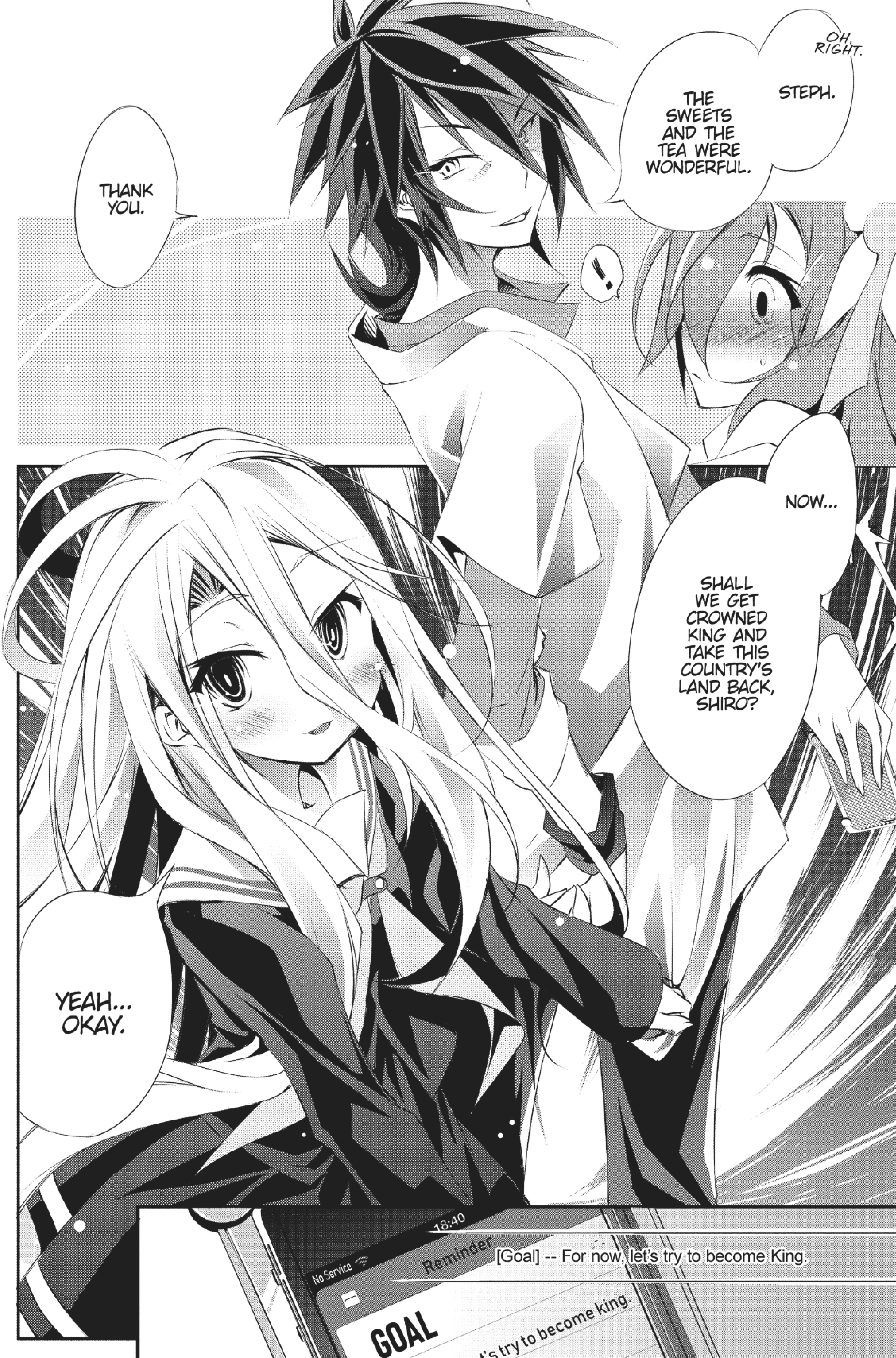

NO WAY... IF THAT'S TRUE...!
SEE?
OUR CON MAN WOULD JUST KEEP ON WINNING AND WINNING...
WE'D HAVE NO WAY OF WINNING...!
UNTIL THEY TOOK THE THRONE.
WELL.
AND IF THAT HAPPENS...
YOU TELL ME.


ELKIA BECOMES...
AN ELVEN PUPPET STATE...!!
...
STEPH. HOW LONG IS THIS GAMBLING TOURNAMENT GOING ON FOR?
....
TODAY IS THE... LAST DAY.
THE FINAL MATCH IS BEING HELD IN THE KING'S AUDIENCE CHAMBER THIS EVENING.
IF NO ONE HAS ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PERSON WHO REMAINS THE WINNER...
THEN THAT PERSON WILL BE CROWNED THE NEW KING.


RIGHT!
SAY, LITTLE SIS.
HM?
YOUR BROTHER'S MADE A DECISION!
YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT?
YEAH.
NOD
SHIRO... IS OKAY WITH THAT.
AN IMMEDIATE REPLY!
YOU'RE PRETTY QUICK, BUT IT TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO STEEL MY RESOLVE...
LIAR.


NII IS... ENJOYING THIS...
ALL RIGHT!
LET'S MAKE HASTE! TO THE CASTLE!
HUH?
LET'S GO PROVE THAT YOUR GRANDFATHER WAS RIGHT.
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS PICK OUT THE ELVEN SCAMMER, BEAT THEM...
AND THEN WE GET TO BE KING, RIGHT?
WHA...?!


WHAT ?!
YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO GO UP AGAINST AN ELF?!
YOU DO KNOW THAT, RIGHT ?!
THEY CAN USE MAGIC, YOU KNOW!
『　』...
THEY CAN USE WHAT-EVER THEY WANT.
NEVER LOSES.
DUN


OH, RIGHT.
STEPH.
THE SWEETS AND THE TEA WERE WONDERFUL.
!
THANK YOU.
NOW...
SHALL WE GET CROWNED KING AND TAKE THIS COUNTRY'S LAND BACK, SHIRO?
YEAH... OKAY.
18:40
No Service
Reminder
[Goal] -- For now, let's try to become King.
GOAL
t's try to become king.

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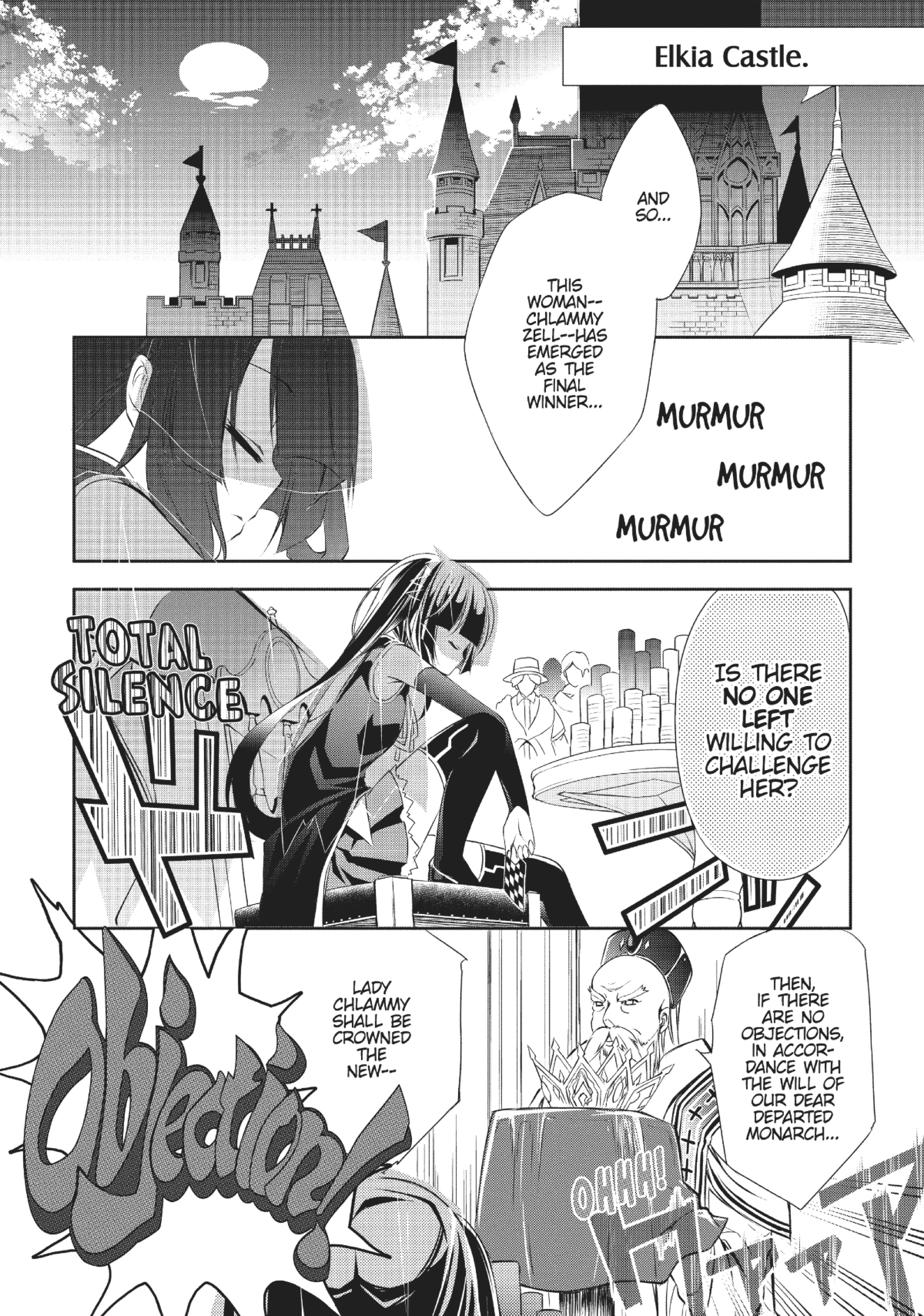
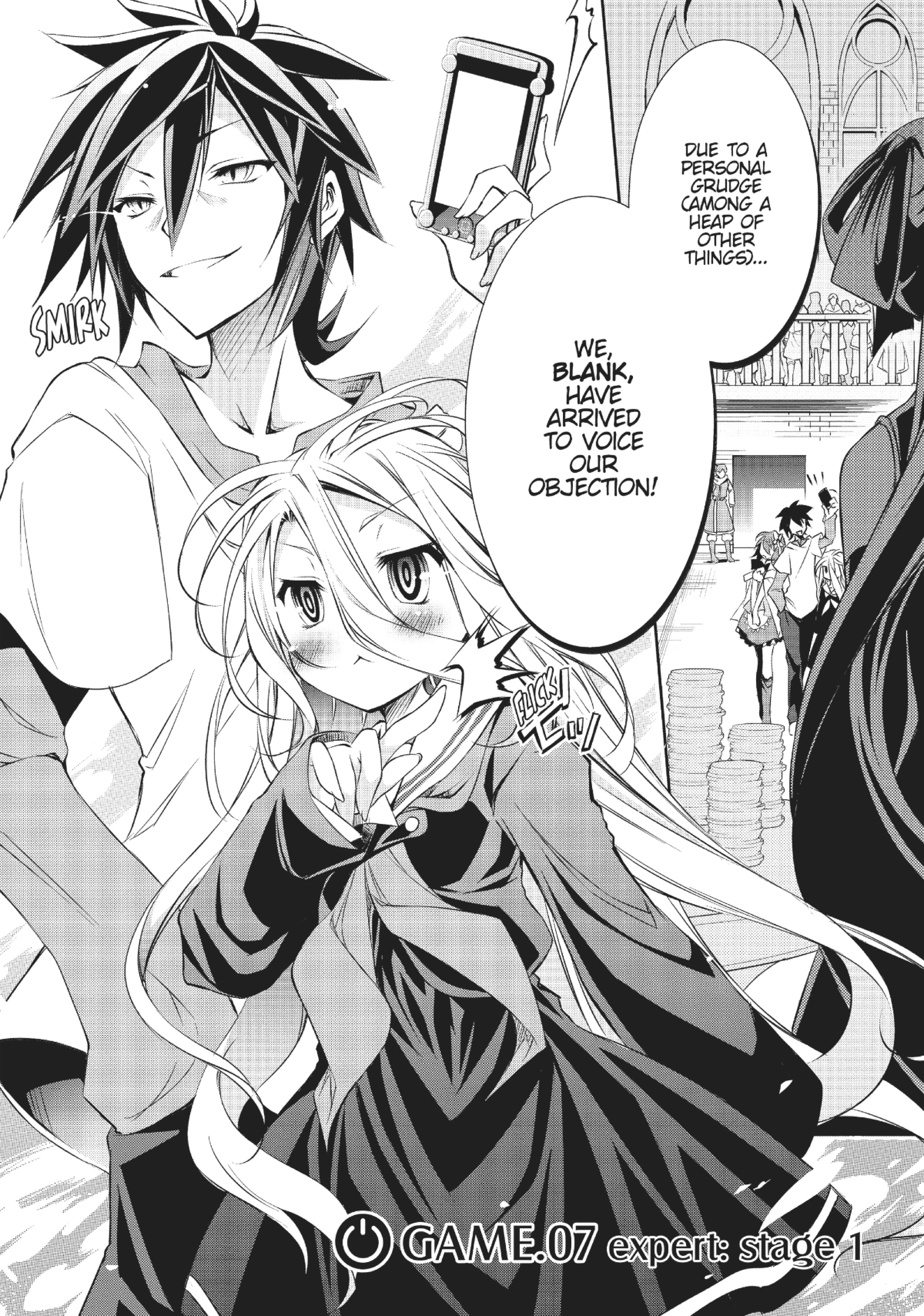

Elkia Castle.
AND SO...
THIS WOMAN--CHLAMMY ZELL--HAS EMERGED AS THE FINAL WINNER...
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
IS THERE NO ONE LEFT WILLING TO CHALLENGE HER?
TOTAL SILENCE
THEN, IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WILL OF OUR DEAR DEPARTED MONARCH...
LADY CHLAMMY SHALL BE CROWNED THE NEW--
OHHH!
Objection!


DUE TO A PERSONAL GRUDGE (AMONG A HEAP OF OTHER THINGS)...
WE, **BLANK**, HAVE ARRIVED TO VOICE OUR OBJECTION!
SMIRK
FLICK!
ビッ!

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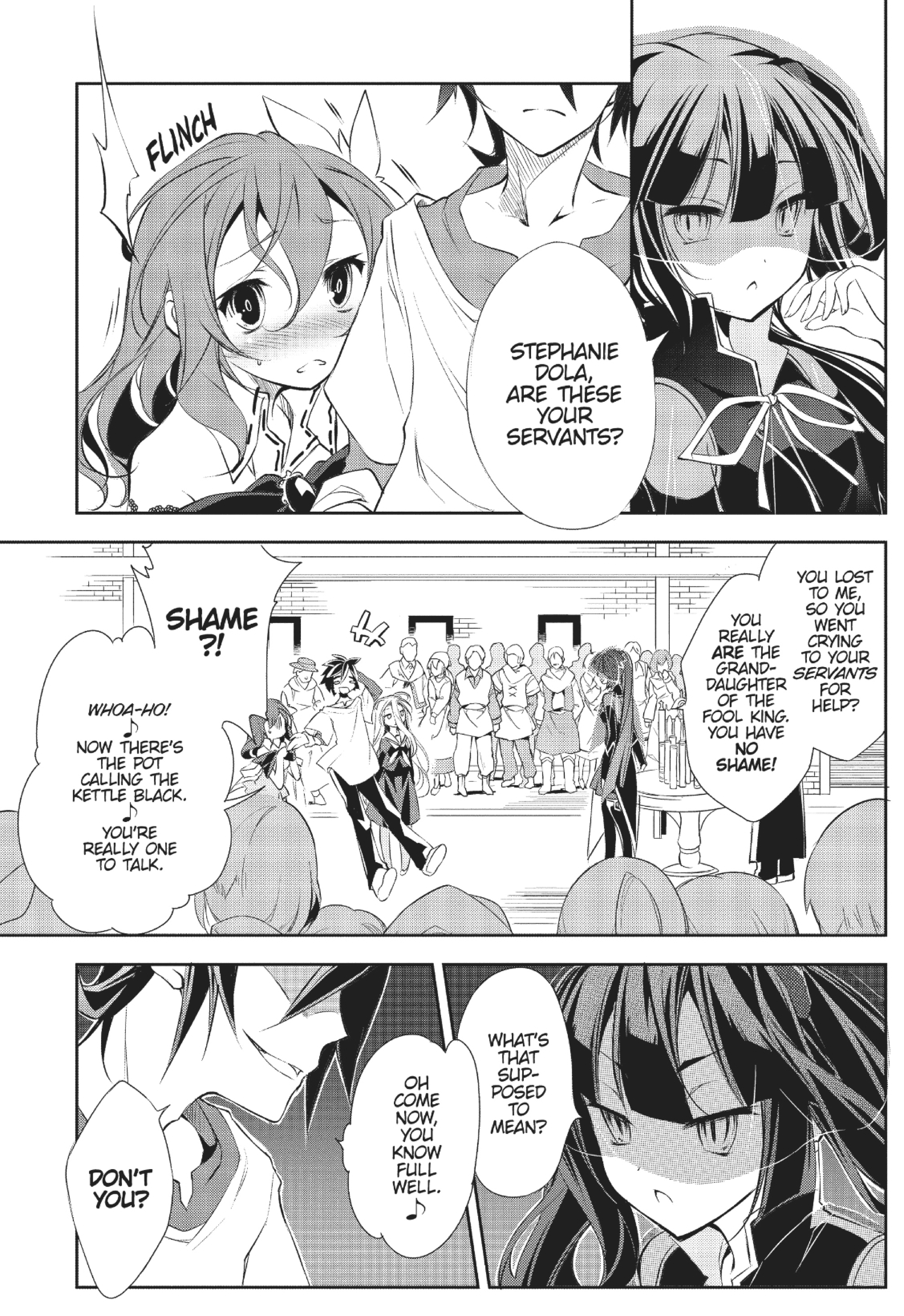
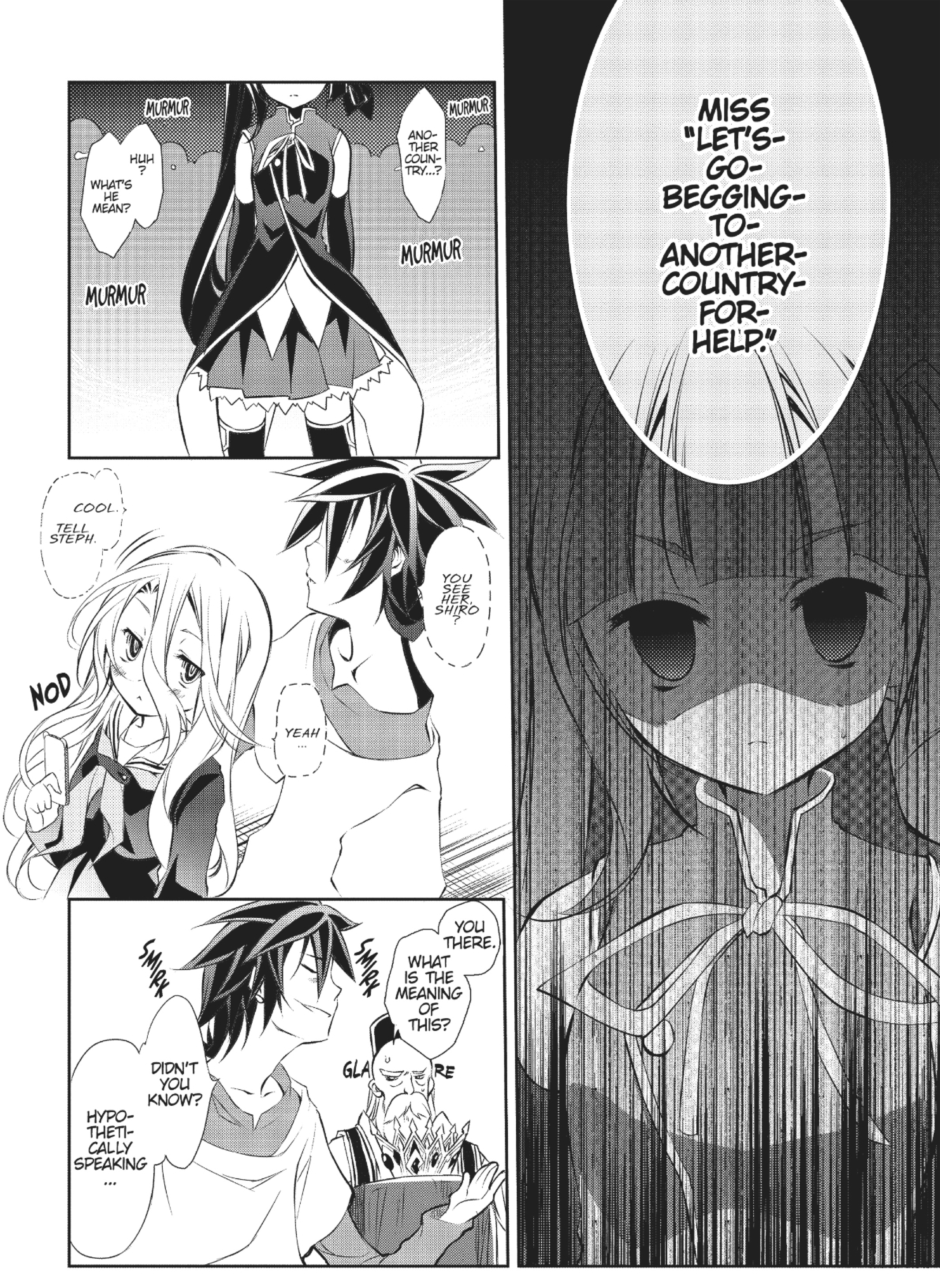
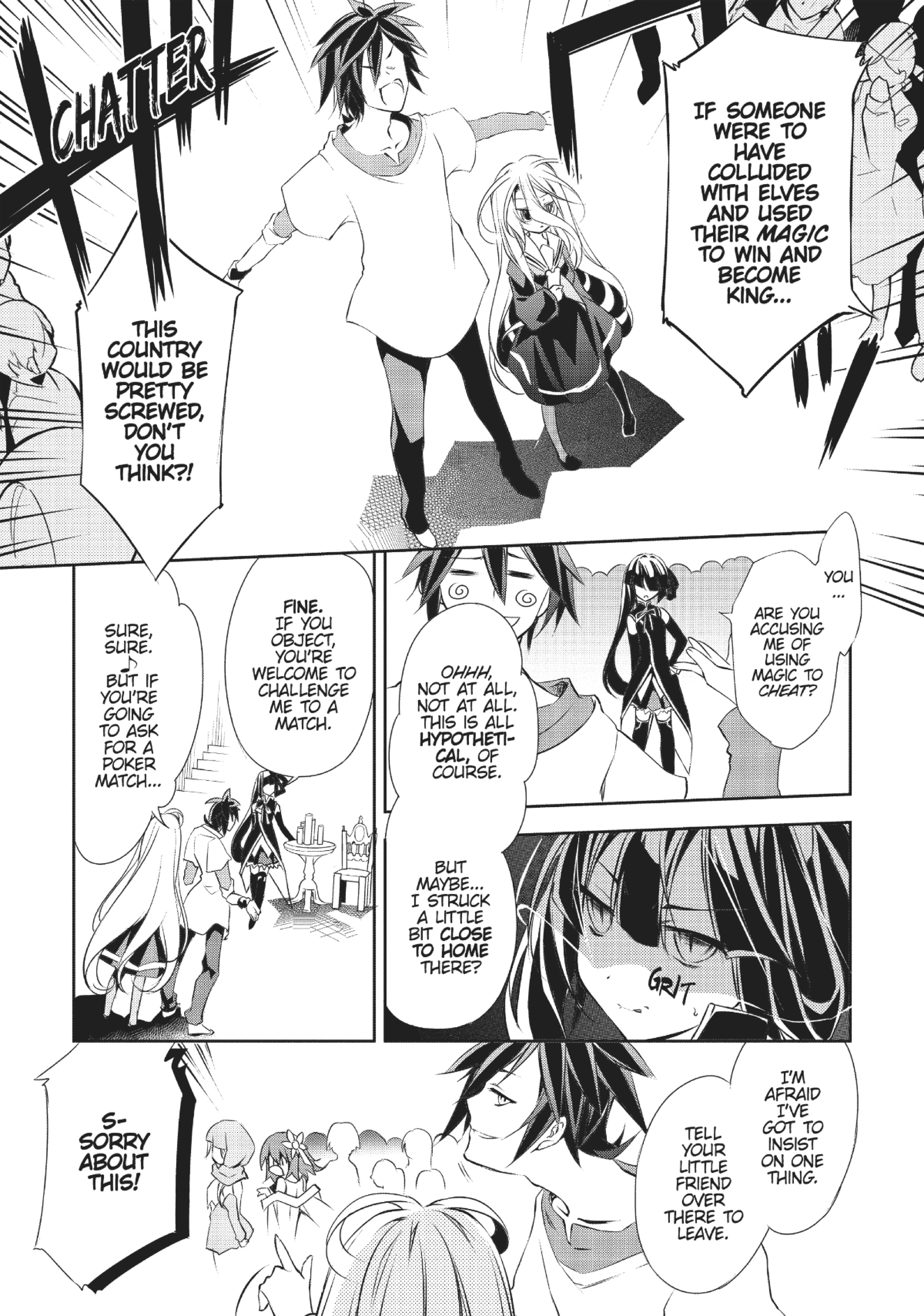
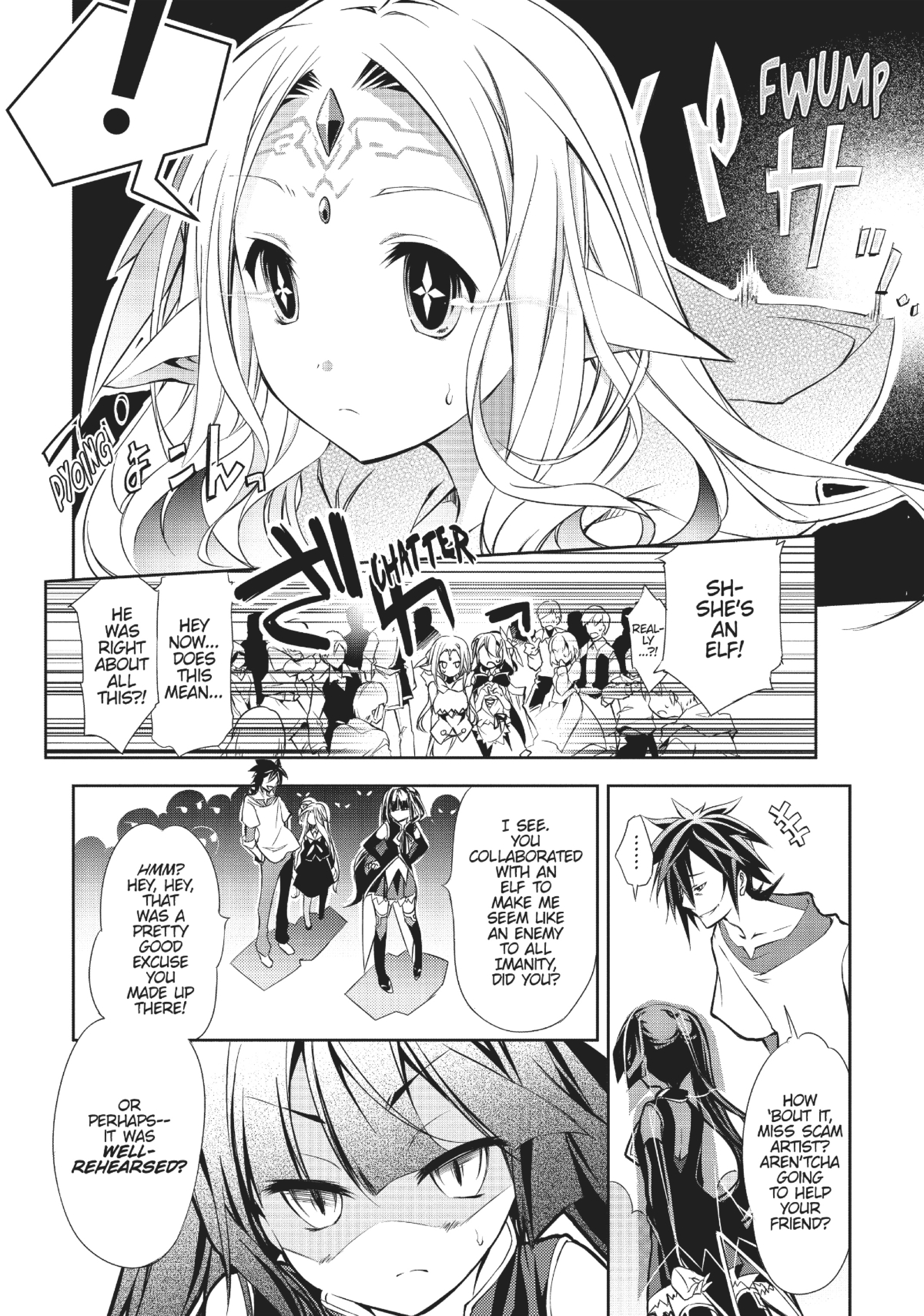
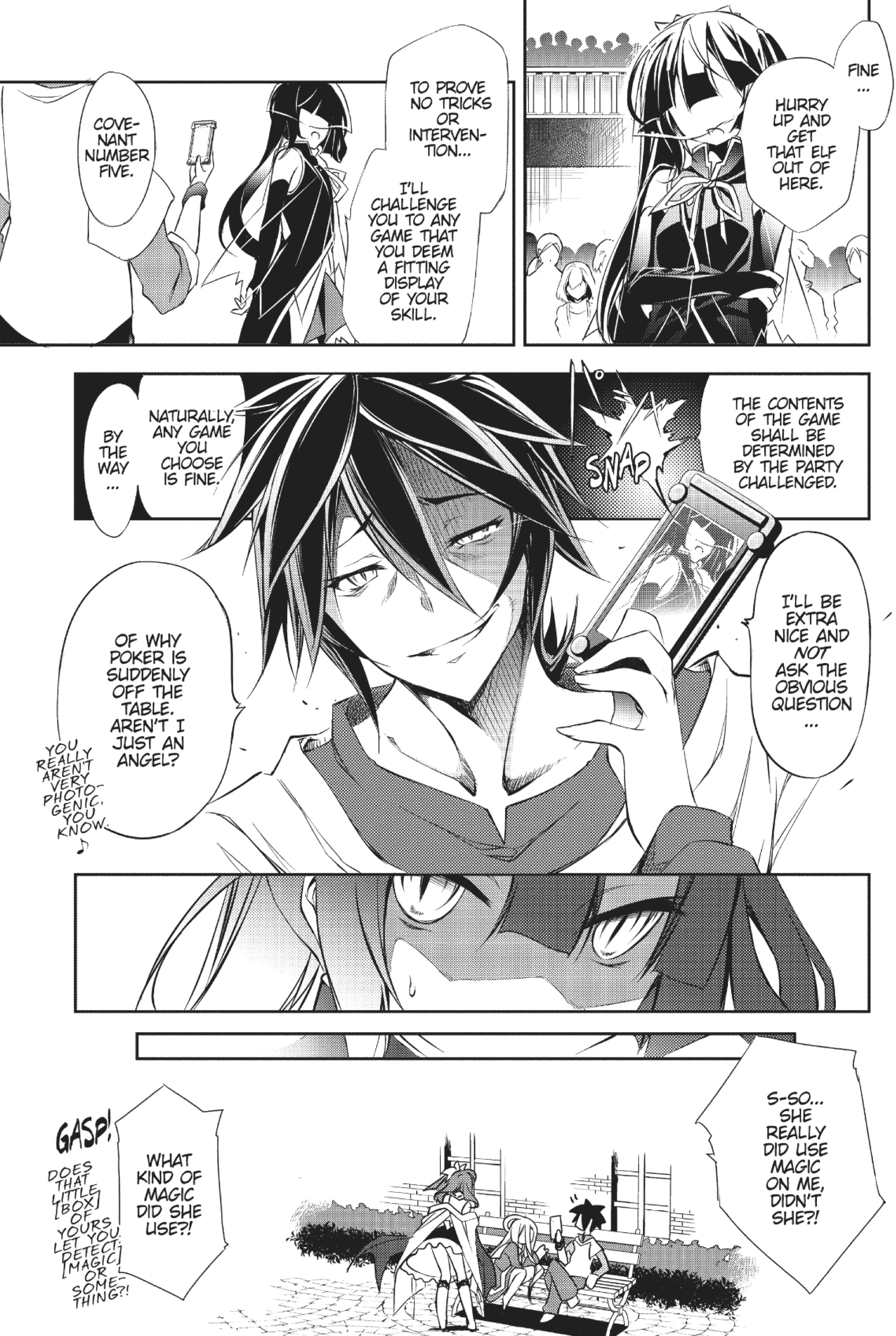
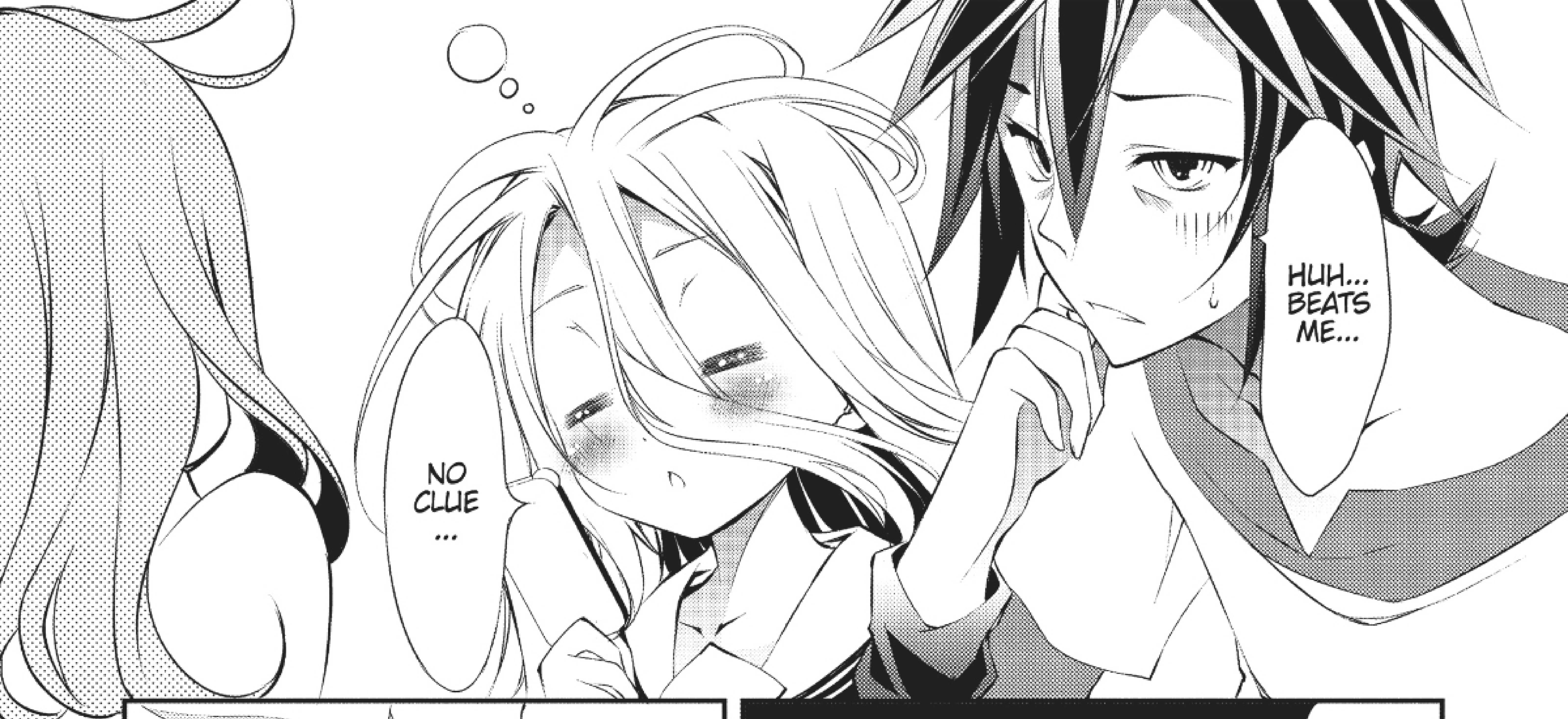

STEPHANIE DOLA, ARE THESE YOUR SERVANTS?
FLINCH
YOU LOST TO ME, SO YOU WENT CRYING TO YOUR *SERVANTS* FOR HELP?
YOU REALLY **ARE** THE GRANDDAUGHTER OF THE FOOL KING. YOU HAVE **NO SHAME!**
SHAME ?!
WHOA-HO! ♪ NOW THERE'S THE POT CALLING THE KETTLE BLACK. ♪ YOU'RE REALLY ONE TO TALK.
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
OH COME NOW, YOU KNOW FULL WELL. ♪
DON'T YOU?

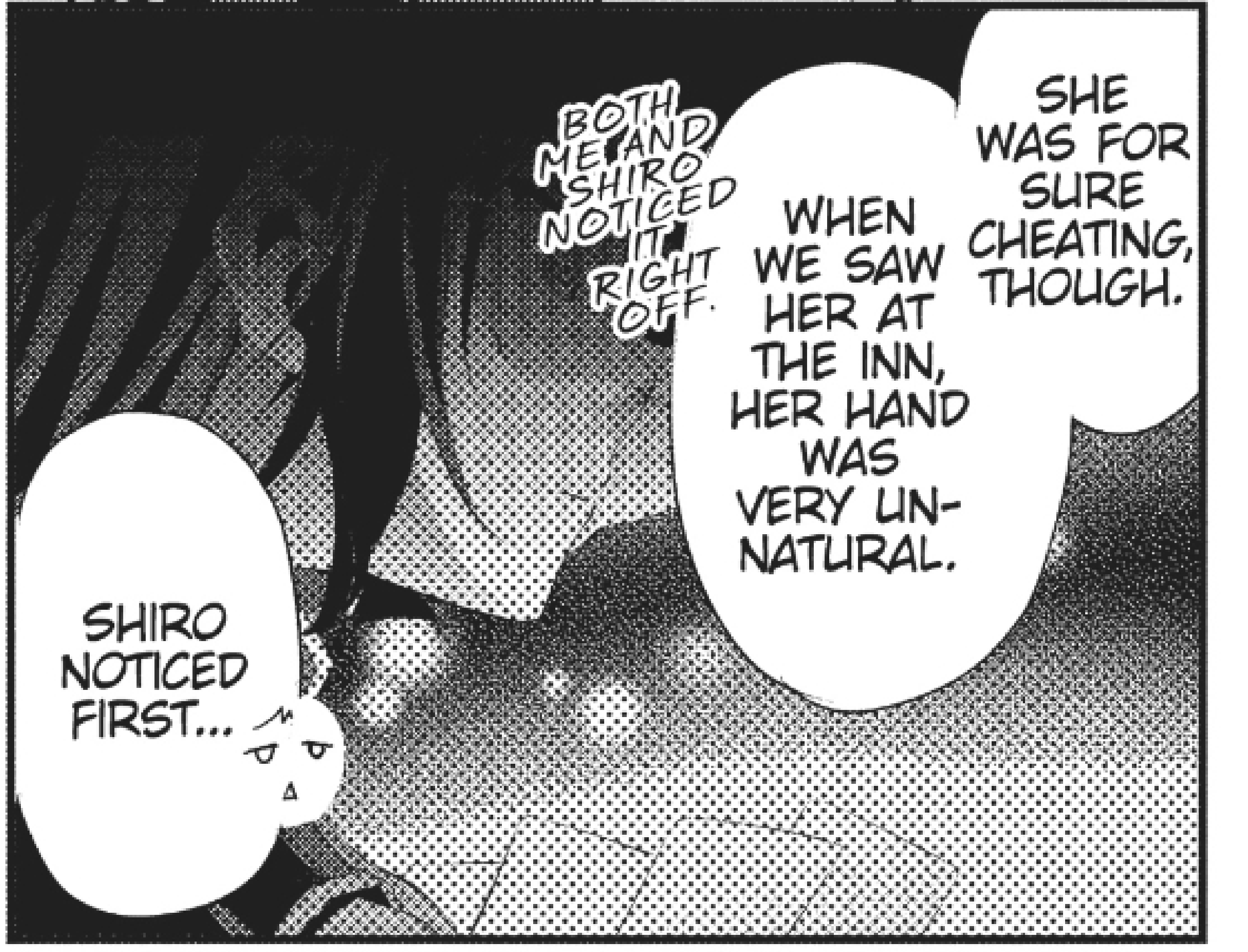

MISS "LET'S-GO-BEGGING-TO-ANOTHER-COUNTRY-FOR-HELP."
MURMUR
ANOTHER COUNTRY...?
HUH? WHAT'S HE MEAN?
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
YOU SEE HER, SHIRO?
YEAH...
COOL. TELL STEPH.
NOD
YOU THERE. WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
SMIRK
SMIRK
GLARE
DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
HYPOTHETICALLY SPEAKING...

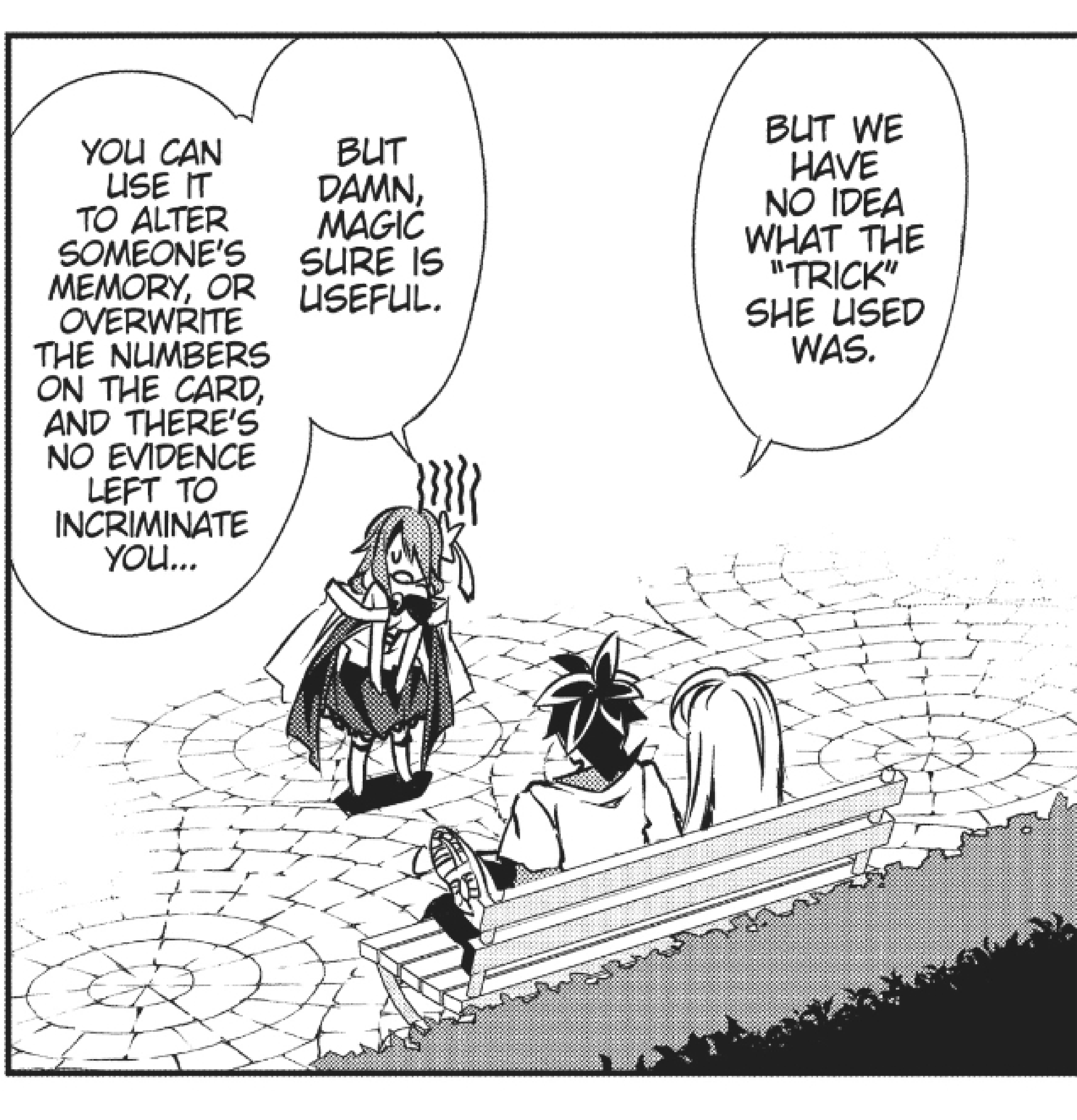

IF SOMEONE WERE TO HAVE COLLUDED WITH ELVES AND USED THEIR *MAGIC* TO WIN AND BECOME KING...
CHATTER
THIS COUNTRY WOULD BE PRETTY SCREWED, DON'T YOU THINK?!
YOU ... ARE YOU ACCUSING ME OF USING MAGIC TO *CHEAT?*
OHHH, NOT AT ALL, NOT AT ALL. THIS IS ALL **HYPOTHETICAL,** OF COURSE.
BUT MAYBE... I STRUCK A LITTLE BIT **CLOSE TO HOME** THERE?
GRIT
FINE. IF YOU OBJECT, YOU'RE WELCOME TO CHALLENGE ME TO A MATCH.
SURE, SURE. ♪ BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO ASK FOR A POKER MATCH...
I'M AFRAID I'VE GOT TO INSIST ON ONE THING.
TELL YOUR LITTLE FRIEND OVER THERE TO LEAVE.
S-SORRY ABOUT THIS!

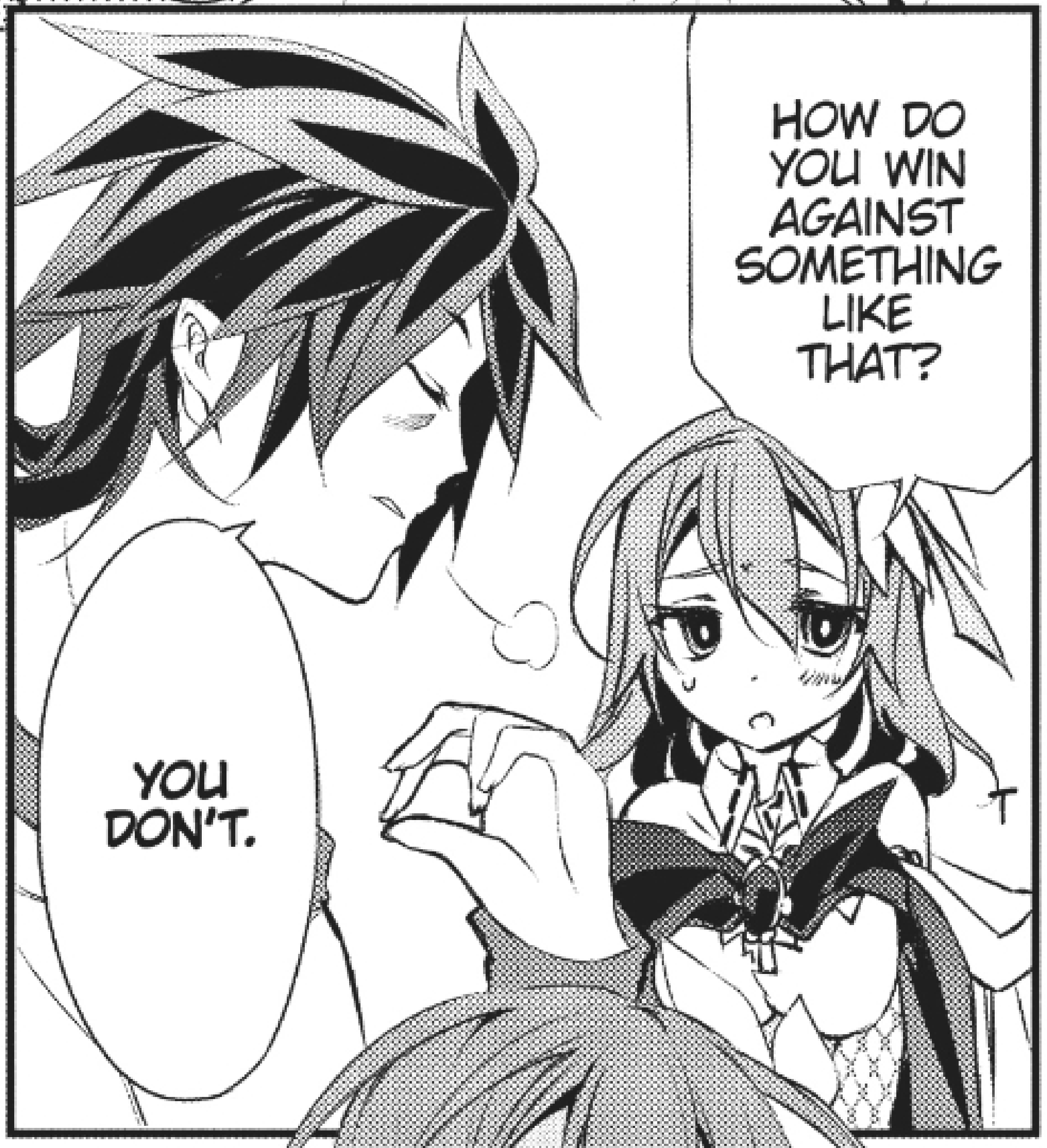

!
FWUMP
PYONG!
CHATTER
SH-SHE'S AN ELF!
REALLY...?!
HEY NOW... DOES THIS MEAN...
HE WAS RIGHT ABOUT ALL THIS?!
......
I SEE. YOU COLLABORATED WITH AN ELF TO MAKE ME SEEM LIKE AN ENEMY TO ALL IMANITY, DID YOU?
HMM? HEY, HEY, THAT WAS A PRETTY GOOD EXCUSE YOU MADE UP THERE!
HOW 'BOUT IT, MISS SCAM ARTIST? AREN'TCHA GOING TO HELP YOUR FRIEND?
OR PERHAPS-- IT WAS *WELL-REHEARSED?*

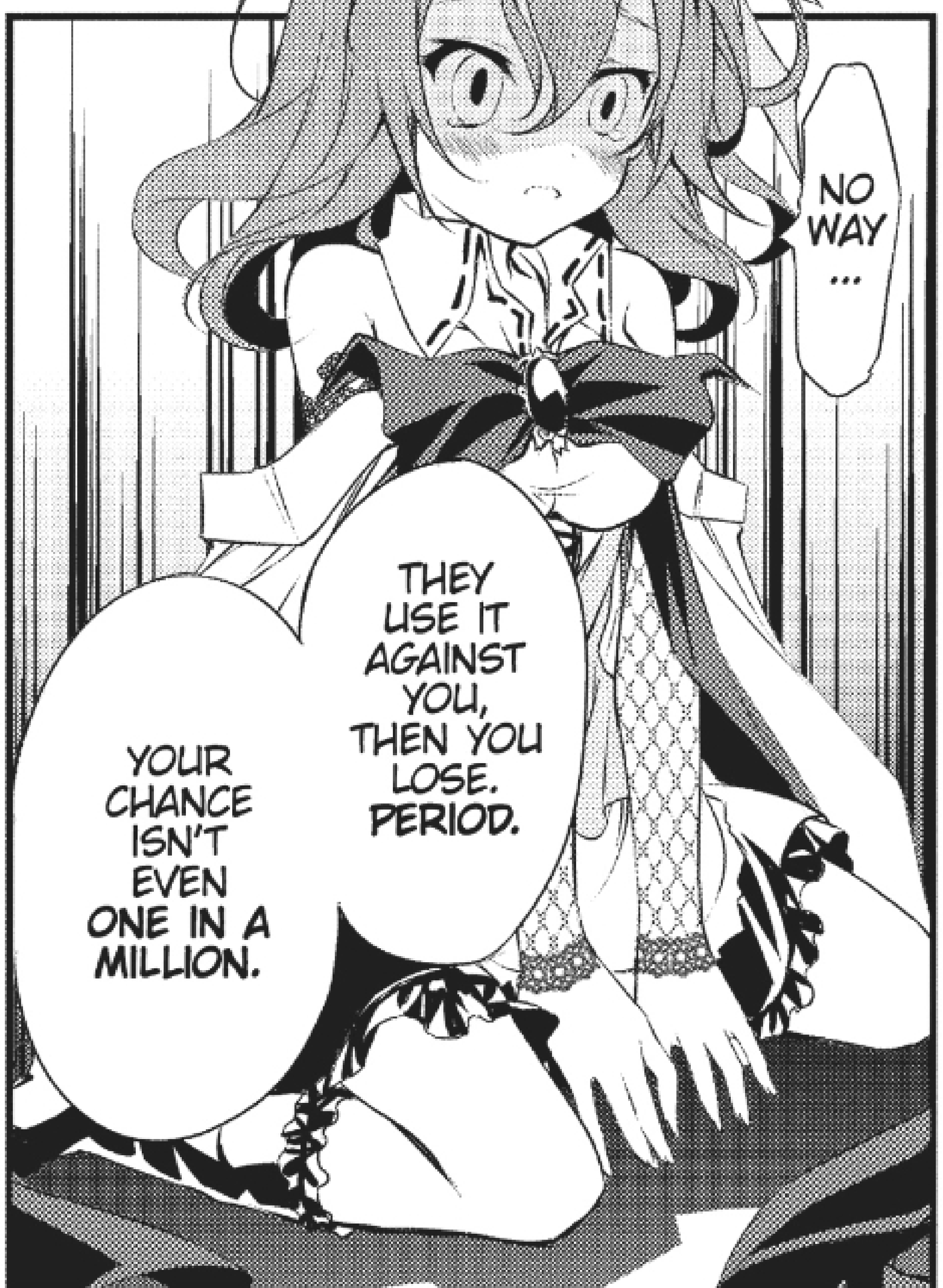

FINE ... HURRY UP AND GET THAT ELF OUT OF HERE.
TO PROVE NO TRICKS OR INTERVENTION...
I'LL CHALLENGE YOU TO ANY GAME THAT YOU DEEM A FITTING DISPLAY OF YOUR SKILL.
COVENANT NUMBER FIVE.
THE CONTENTS OF THE GAME SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE PARTY CHALLENGED.
SNAP
NATURALLY, ANY GAME YOU CHOOSE IS FINE.
BY THE WAY ...
I'LL BE EXTRA NICE AND *NOT* ASK THE OBVIOUS QUESTION ...
OF WHY POKER IS SUDDENLY OFF THE TABLE. AREN'T I JUST AN ANGEL?
YOU REALLY AREN'T VERY PHOTOGENIC, YOU KNOW. ♪
S-SO... SHE REALLY DID USE MAGIC ON ME, DIDN'T SHE?!
WHAT KIND OF MAGIC DID SHE USE?!
GASP!
DOES THAT LITTLE [BOX] OF YOURS LET YOU DETECT [MAGIC] OR SOMETHING?!

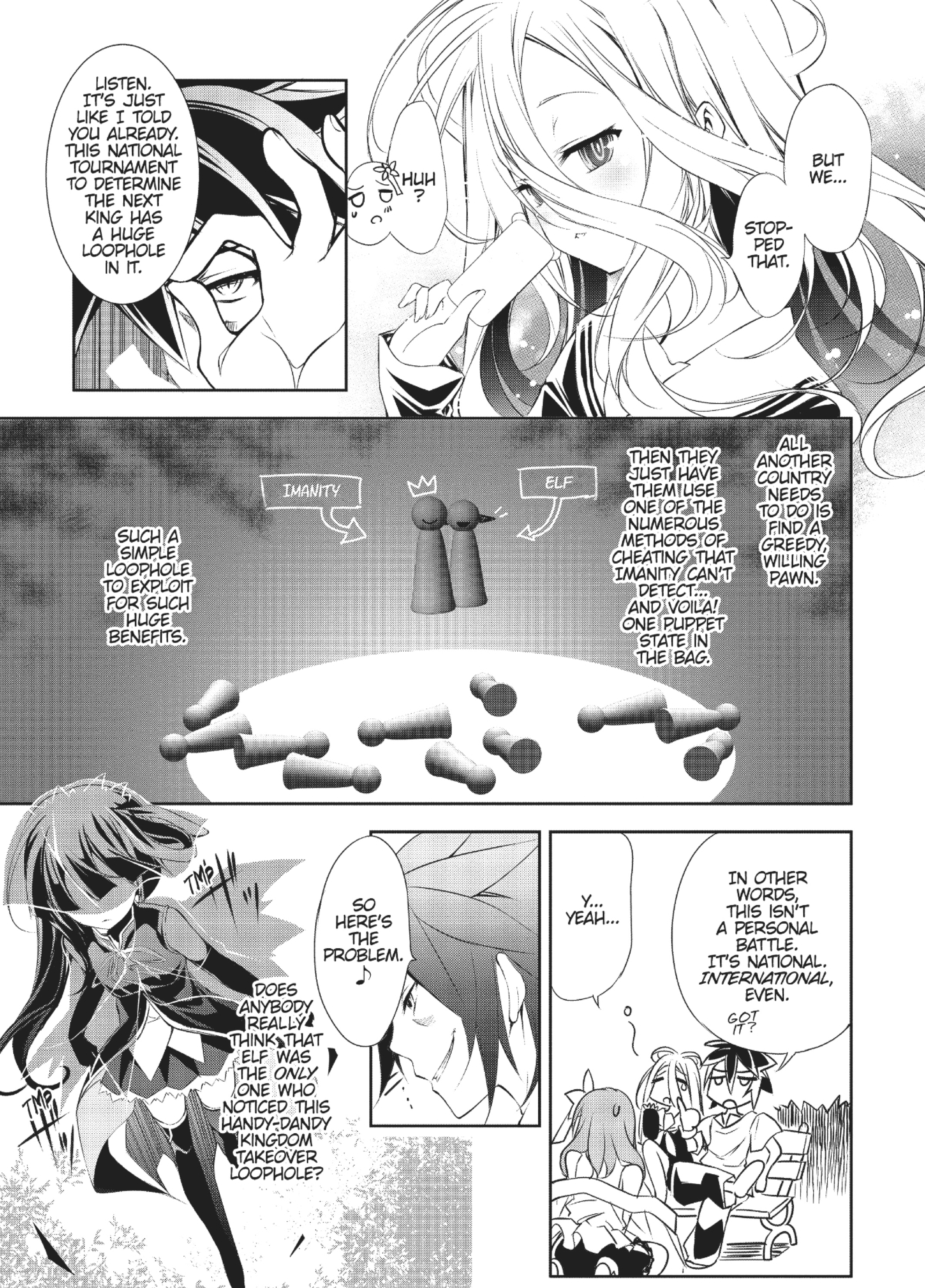

HUH... BEATS ME...
NO CLUE ...

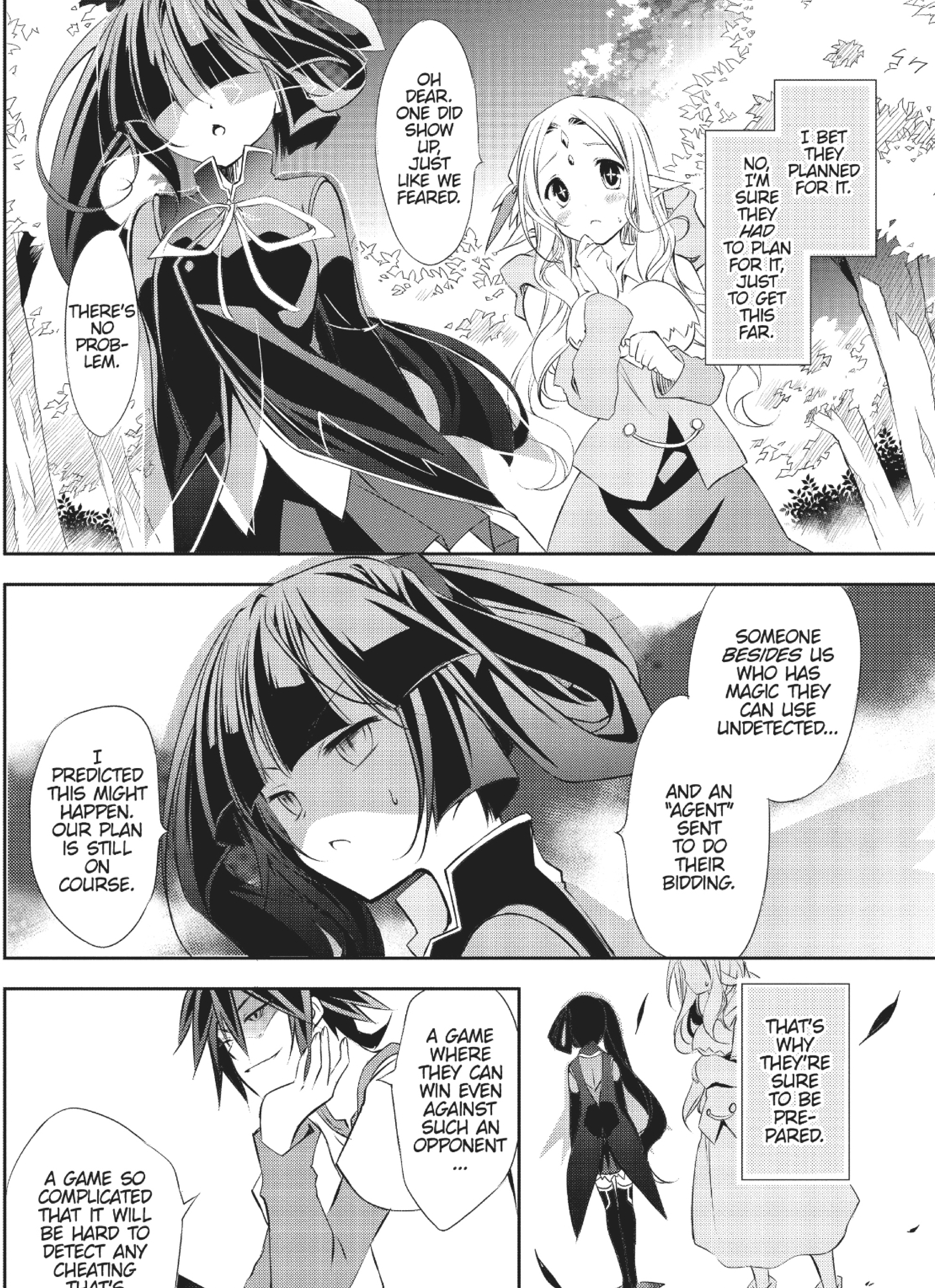

SHE WAS FOR SURE CHEATING, THOUGH.
WHEN WE SAW HER AT THE INN, HER HAND WAS VERY UN-NATURAL.
BOTH ME AND SHIRO NOTICED IT RIGHT OFF.
SHIRO NOTICED FIRST...

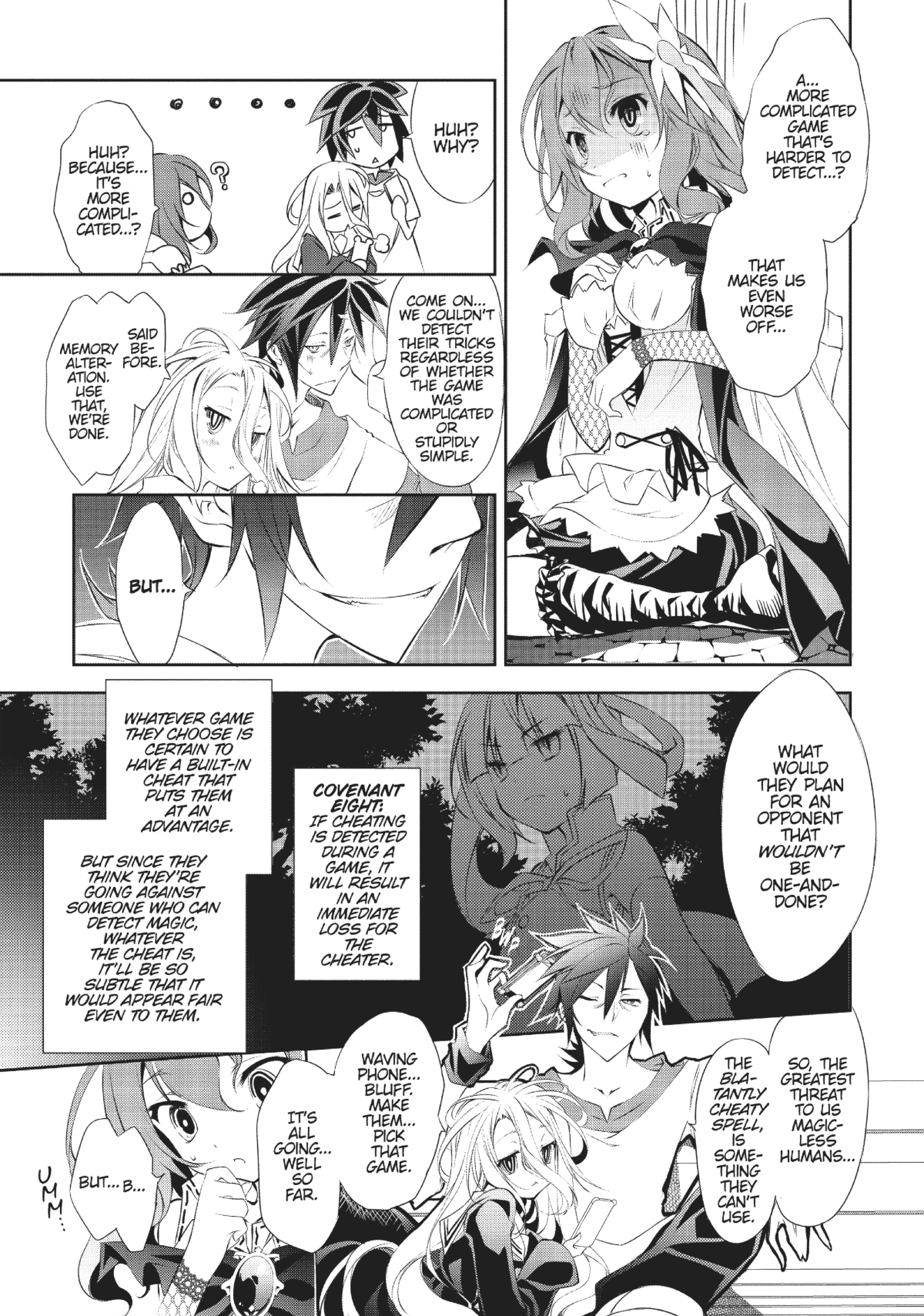

BUT WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THE "TRICK" SHE USED WAS.
BUT DAMN, MAGIC SURE IS USEFUL.
YOU CAN USE IT TO ALTER SOMEONE'S MEMORY, OR OVERWRITE THE NUMBERS ON THE CARD, AND THERE'S NO EVIDENCE LEFT TO INCRIMINATE YOU...

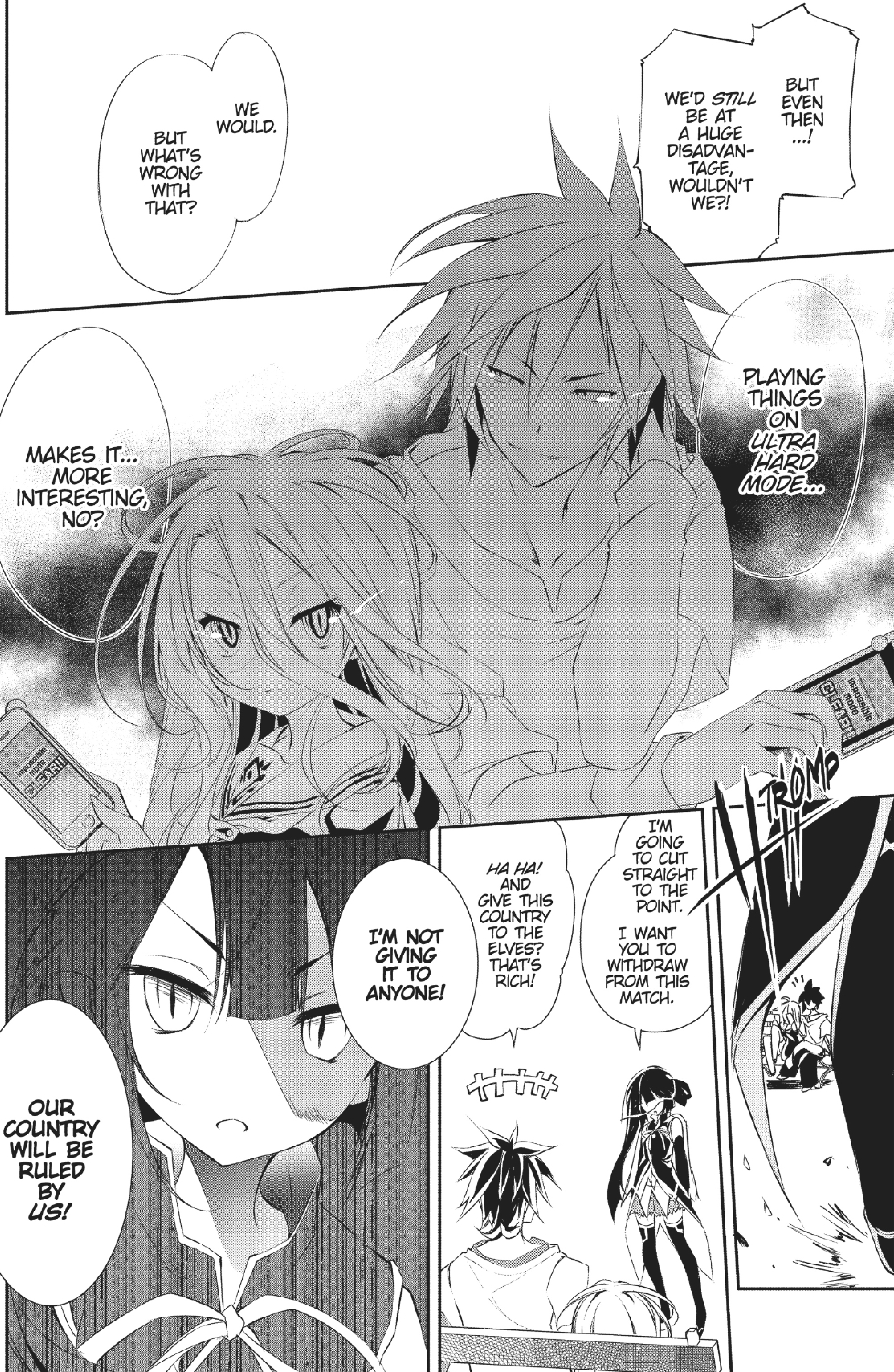

HOW DO YOU WIN AGAINST SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
YOU DON'T.

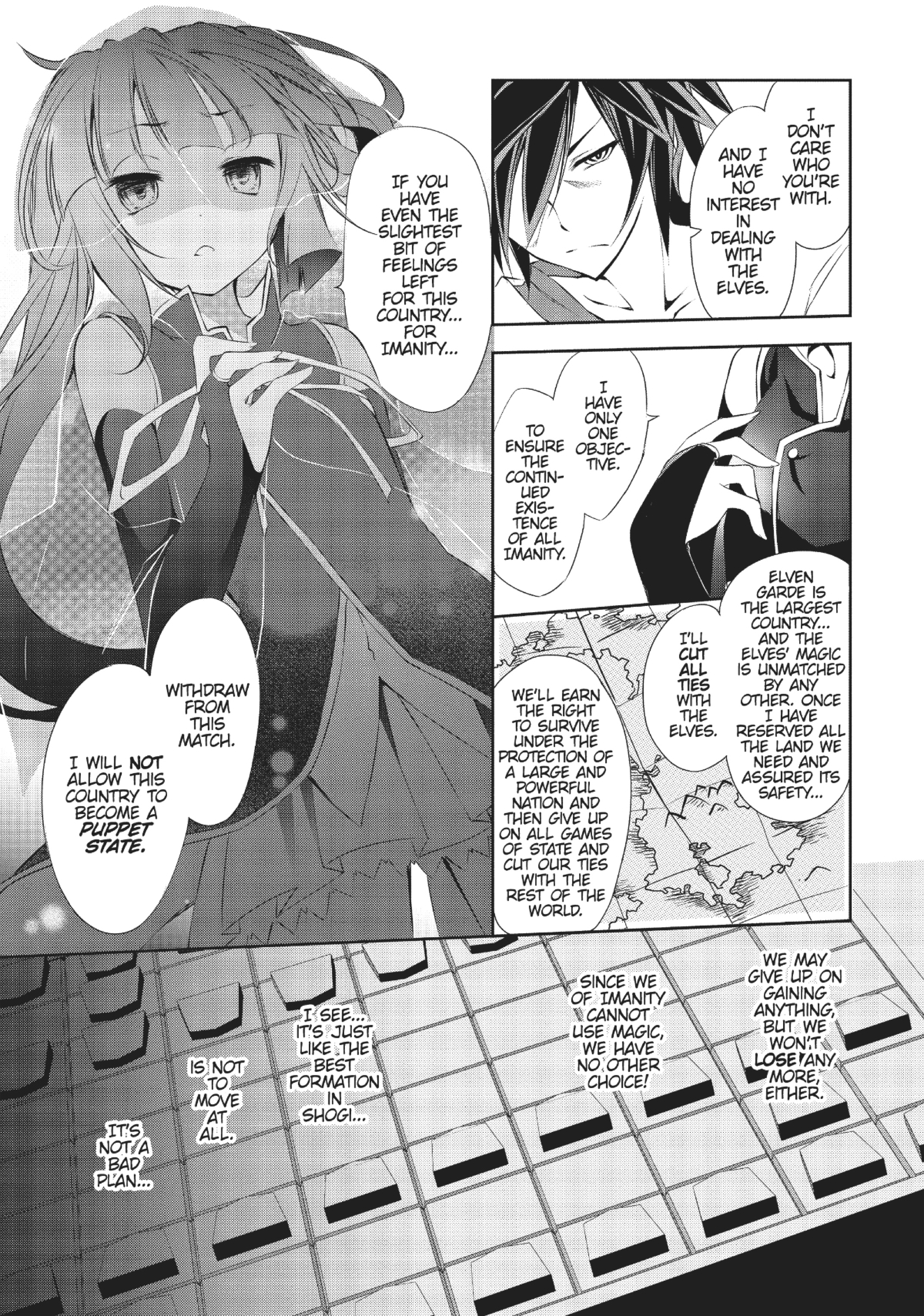

NO WAY ...
THEY USE IT AGAINST YOU, THEN YOU LOSE. PERIOD.
YOUR CHANCE ISN'T EVEN ONE IN A MILLION.

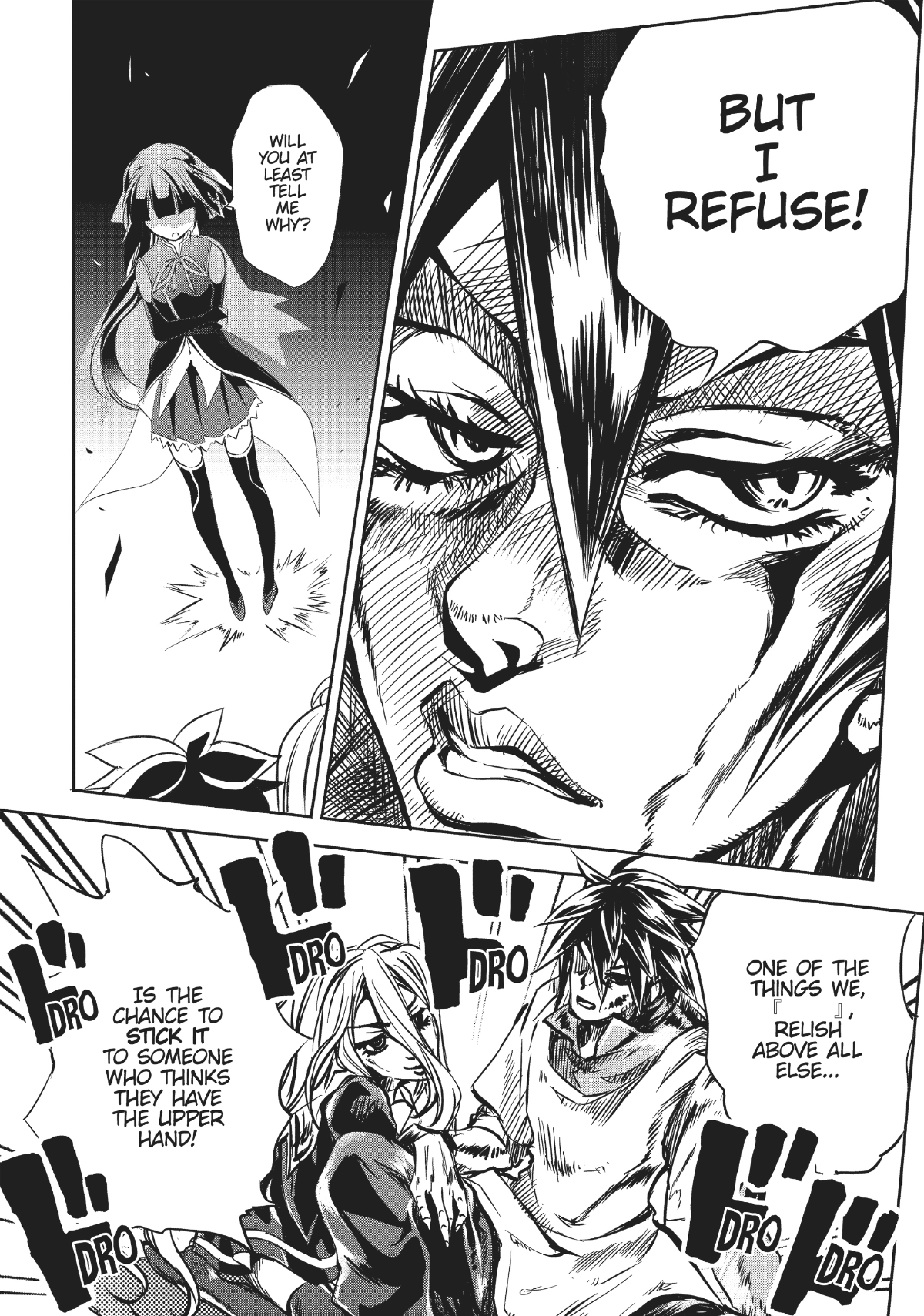

BUT WE...
STOPPED THAT.
HUH?
LISTEN. IT'S JUST LIKE I TOLD YOU ALREADY. THIS NATIONAL TOURNAMENT TO DETERMINE THE NEXT KING HAS A HUGE LOOPHOLE IN IT.
ALL ANOTHER COUNTRY NEEDS TO DO IS FIND A GREEDY, WILLING PAWN.
THEN THEY JUST HAVE THEM USE ONE OF THE NUMEROUS METHODS OF CHEATING THAT IMANITY CAN'T DETECT... AND VOILA! ONE PUPPET STATE IN THE BAG.
ELF
IMANITY
SUCH A SIMPLE LOOPHOLE TO EXPLOIT FOR SUCH HUGE BENEFITS.
IN OTHER WORDS, THIS ISN'T A PERSONAL BATTLE. IT'S NATIONAL. *INTERNATIONAL*, EVEN.
GOT IT?
Y... YEAH...
SO HERE'S THE PROBLEM. ♪
DOES ANYBODY REALLY THINK THAT ELF WAS THE *ONLY* ONE WHO NOTICED THIS HANDY-DANDY KINGDOM TAKEOVER LOOPHOLE?
TMP
TMP


I BET THEY PLANNED FOR IT.
NO, I'M SURE THEY *HAD* TO PLAN FOR IT, JUST TO GET THIS FAR.
OH DEAR. ONE DID SHOW UP, JUST LIKE WE FEARED.
THERE'S NO PROBLEM.
SOMEONE *BESIDES* US WHO HAS MAGIC THEY CAN USE UNDETECTED...
AND AN "AGENT" SENT TO DO THEIR BIDDING.
I PREDICTED THIS MIGHT HAPPEN. OUR PLAN IS STILL ON COURSE.
THAT'S WHY THEY'RE SURE TO BE PREPARED.
A GAME WHERE THEY CAN WIN EVEN AGAINST SUCH AN OPPONENT...
A GAME SO COMPLICATED THAT IT WILL BE HARD TO DETECT ANY CHEATING THAT'S GOING ON...


A... MORE COMPLICATED GAME THAT'S HARDER TO DETECT...?
THAT MAKES US EVEN WORSE OFF...
HUH? WHY?
HUH? BECAUSE... IT'S MORE COMPLICATED...?
COME ON... WE COULDN'T DETECT THEIR TRICKS REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE GAME WAS COMPLICATED OR STUPIDLY SIMPLE.
SAID BEFORE.
MEMORY ALTERATION. USE THAT, WE'RE DONE.
BUT...
WHAT WOULD THEY PLAN FOR AN OPPONENT THAT *WOULDN'T* BE ONE-AND-DONE?
COVENANT EIGHT: *IF CHEATING IS DETECTED DURING A GAME, IT WILL RESULT IN AN IMMEDIATE LOSS FOR THE CHEATER.*
WHATEVER GAME THEY CHOOSE IS CERTAIN TO HAVE A BUILT-IN CHEAT THAT PUTS THEM AT AN ADVANTAGE.
BUT SINCE THEY THINK THEY'RE GOING AGAINST SOMEONE WHO CAN DETECT MAGIC, WHATEVER THE CHEAT IS, IT'LL BE SO SUBTLE THAT IT WOULD APPEAR FAIR EVEN TO THEM.
BWP
SO, THE GREATEST THREAT TO US MAGICLESS HUMANS...
THE *BLATANTLY CHEATY* SPELL, IS SOMETHING THEY CAN'T USE.
WAVING PHONE... BLUFF. MAKE THEM... PICK THAT GAME.
IT'S ALL GOING... WELL SO FAR.
BUT... B...
UMM...


BUT EVEN THEN...!
WE'D *STILL* BE AT A HUGE DISADVANTAGE, WOULDN'T WE?!
WE WOULD.
BUT WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?
PLAYING THINGS ON *ULTRA HARD MODE*...
MAKES IT... MORE INTERESTING, NO?
impossible mode
CLEAR!!
impossible mode
CLEAR!!
TROMP
I'M GOING TO CUT STRAIGHT TO THE POINT.
I WANT YOU TO WITHDRAW FROM THIS MATCH.
HA HA! AND GIVE THIS COUNTRY TO THE ELVES? THAT'S RICH!
I'M NOT GIVING IT TO ANYONE!
OUR COUNTRY WILL BE RULED BY *US!*


I DON'T CARE WHO YOU'RE WITH.
AND I HAVE NO INTEREST IN DEALING WITH THE ELVES.
I HAVE ONLY ONE OBJECTIVE.
TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF ALL IMANITY.
ELVEN GARDE IS THE LARGEST COUNTRY... AND THE ELVES' MAGIC IS UNMATCHED BY ANY OTHER. ONCE I HAVE RESERVED ALL THE LAND WE NEED AND ASSURED ITS SAFETY...
I'LL CUT ALL TIES WITH THE ELVES.
WE'LL EARN THE RIGHT TO SURVIVE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF A LARGE AND POWERFUL NATION AND THEN GIVE UP ON ALL GAMES OF STATE AND CUT OUR TIES WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD.
IF YOU HAVE EVEN THE SLIGHTEST BIT OF FEELINGS LEFT FOR THIS COUNTRY... FOR IMANITY...
WITHDRAW FROM THIS MATCH.
I WILL NOT ALLOW THIS COUNTRY TO BECOME A PUPPET STATE.
WE MAY GIVE UP ON GAINING ANYTHING, BUT WE WON'T LOSE ANY MORE, EITHER.
SINCE WE OF IMANITY CANNOT USE MAGIC, WE HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE!
I SEE... IT'S JUST LIKE THE BEST FORMATION IN SHOGI...
IS NOT TO MOVE AT ALL.
IT'S NOT A BAD PLAN...


BUT I REFUSE!
WILL YOU AT LEAST TELL ME WHY?
ONE OF THE THINGS WE, 『　』, RELISH ABOVE ALL ELSE...
IS THE CHANCE TO **STICK IT** TO SOMEONE WHO THINKS THEY HAVE THE UPPER HAND!
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DRO
DRO
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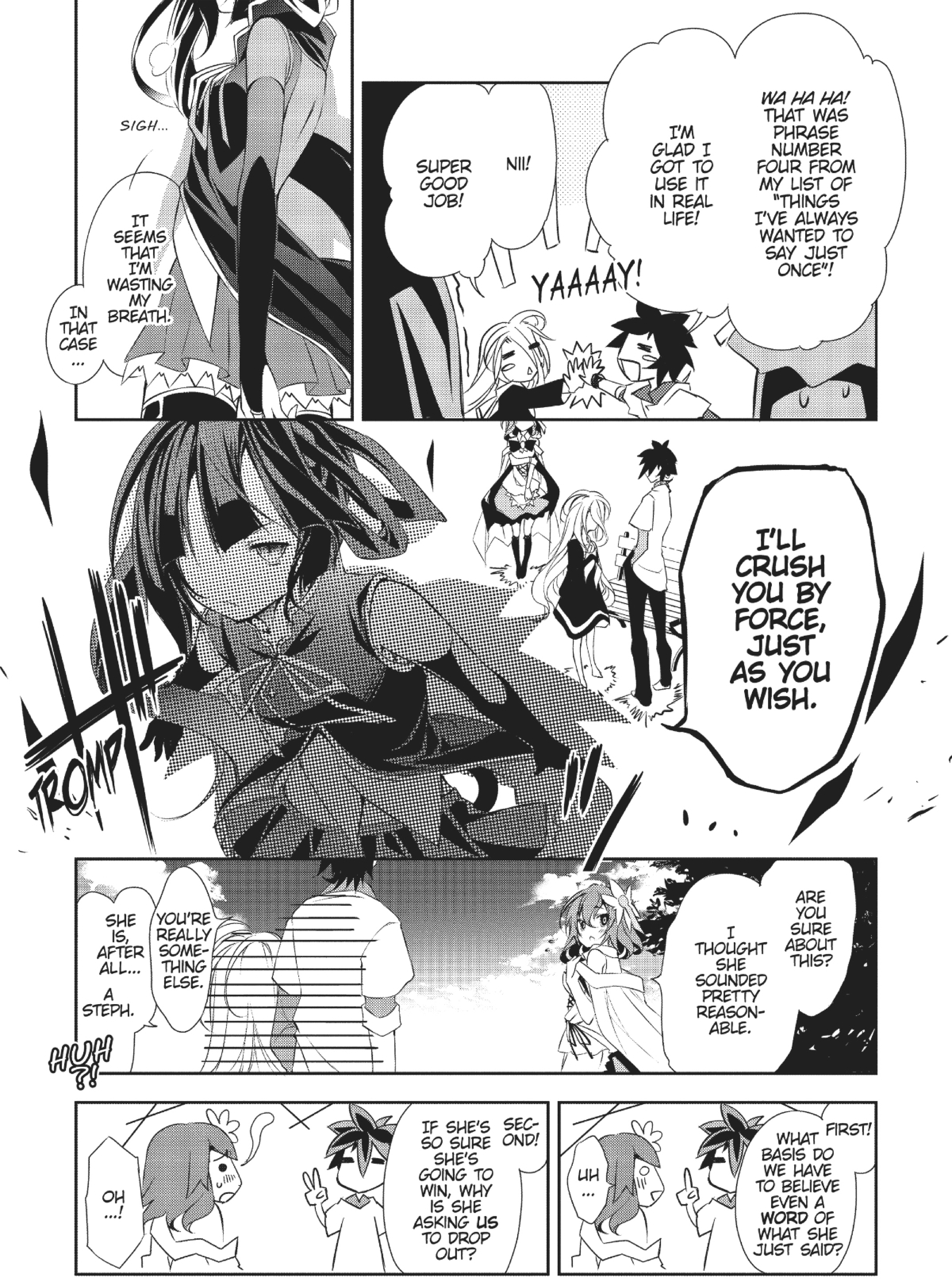
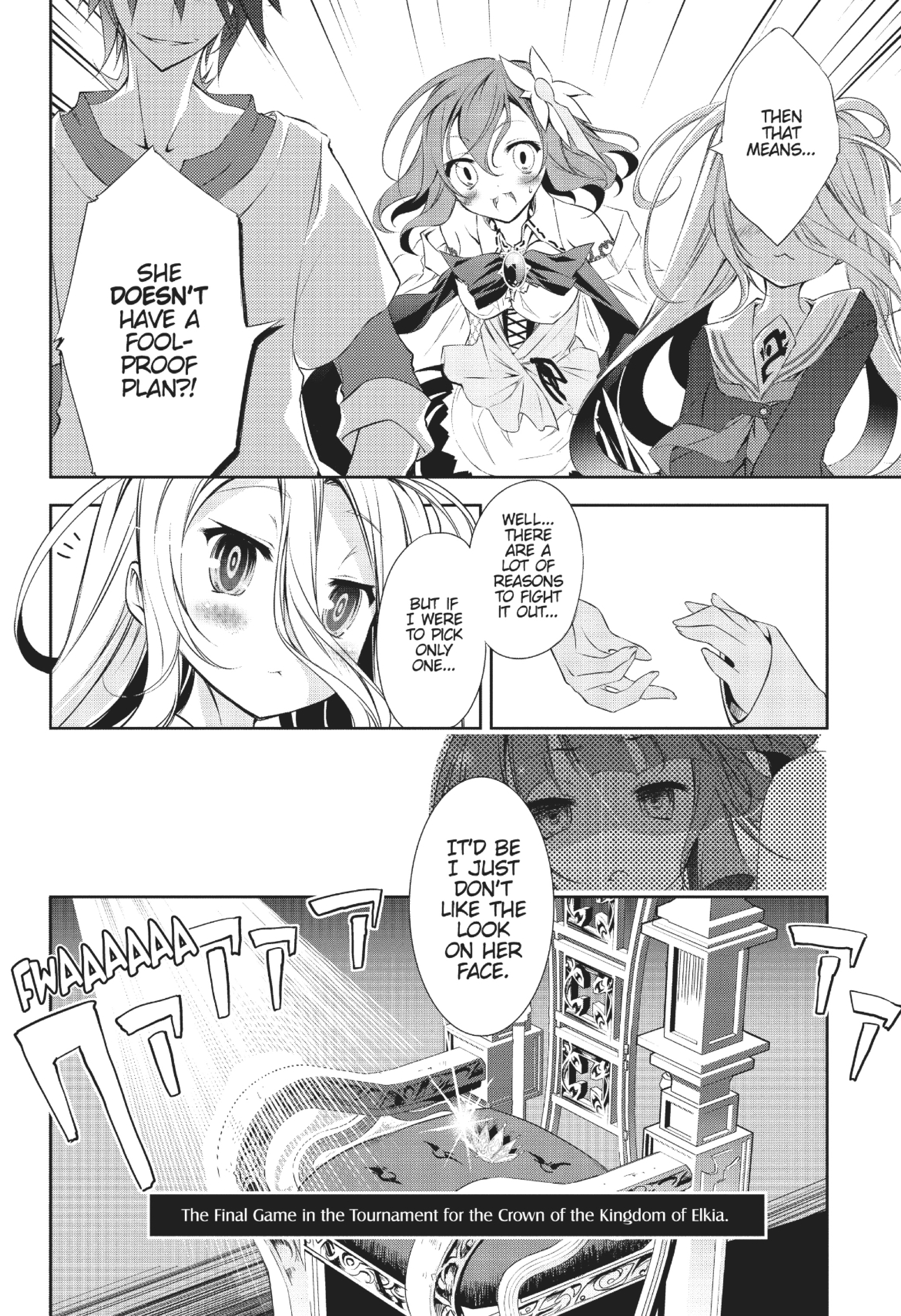
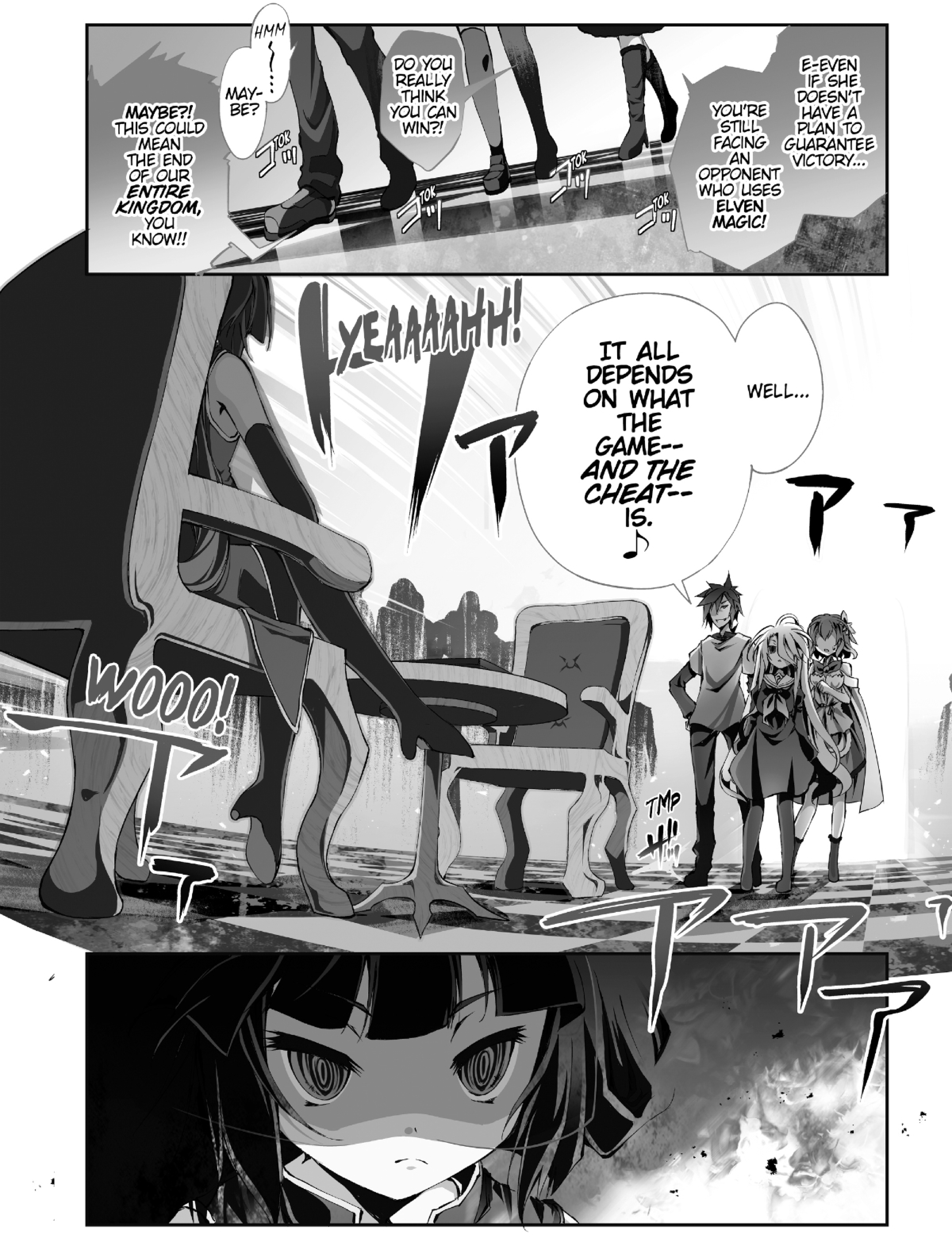

WA HA HA! THAT WAS PHRASE NUMBER FOUR FROM MY LIST OF "THINGS I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SAY JUST ONCE"!
I'M GLAD I GOT TO USE IT IN REAL LIFE!
NII!
SUPER GOOD JOB!
YAAAAY!
SIGH...
IT SEEMS THAT I'M WASTING MY BREATH.
IN THAT CASE...
I'LL CRUSH YOU BY FORCE, JUST AS YOU WISH.
TROMP
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS?
I THOUGHT SHE SOUNDED PRETTY REASONABLE.
YOU'RE REALLY SOMETHING ELSE.
SHE IS, AFTER ALL... A STEPH.
HUH?!
FIRST!
WHAT BASIS DO WE HAVE TO BELIEVE EVEN A WORD OF WHAT SHE JUST SAID?
UH...
SECOND!
IF SHE'S SO SURE SHE'S GOING TO WIN, WHY IS SHE ASKING US TO DROP OUT?
OH...!


THEN THAT MEANS...
SHE DOESN'T HAVE A FOOL-PROOF PLAN?!
WELL... THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS TO FIGHT IT OUT...
BUT IF I WERE TO PICK ONLY ONE...
IT'D BE I JUST DON'T LIKE THE LOOK ON HER FACE.
FWAAAAAA
The Final Game in the Tournament for the Crown of the Kingdom of Elkia.

No
Game
No
Life

No
Game
No
Life


E-EVEN IF SHE DOESN'T HAVE A PLAN TO GUARANTEE VICTORY...
YOU'RE STILL FACING AN OPPONENT WHO USES ELVEN MAGIC!
ゴッ TOK
ゴッ TOK
ゴッ TOK
DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN WIN?!
ゴッ TOK
HMM~......
MAYBE?
MAYBE?! THIS COULD MEAN THE END OF OUR ENTIRE KINGDOM, YOU KNOW!!
WELL...
IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT THE GAME-- AND THE CHEAT-- IS. ♪
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YEAAAAHH!
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TMP
WOOO!
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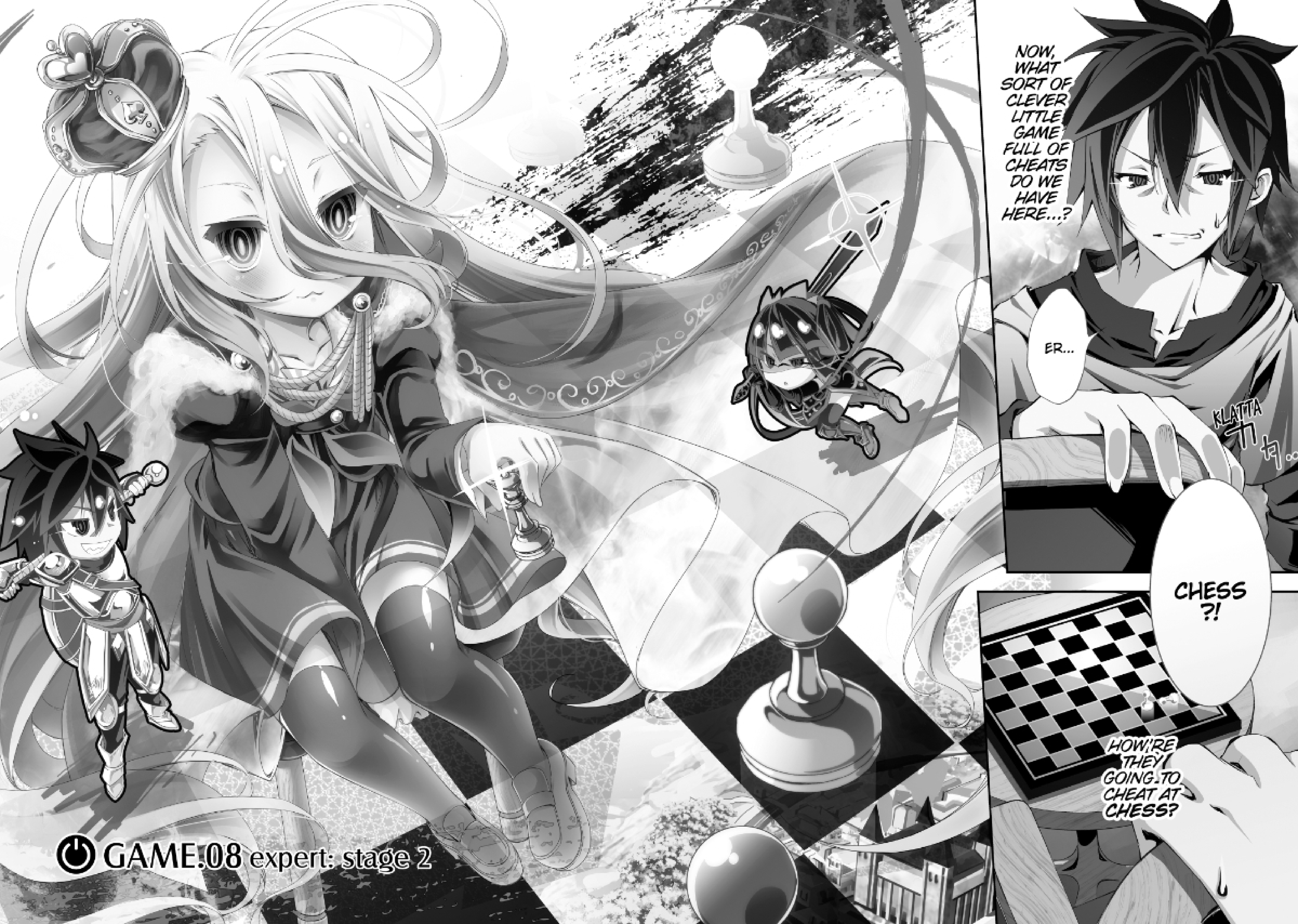
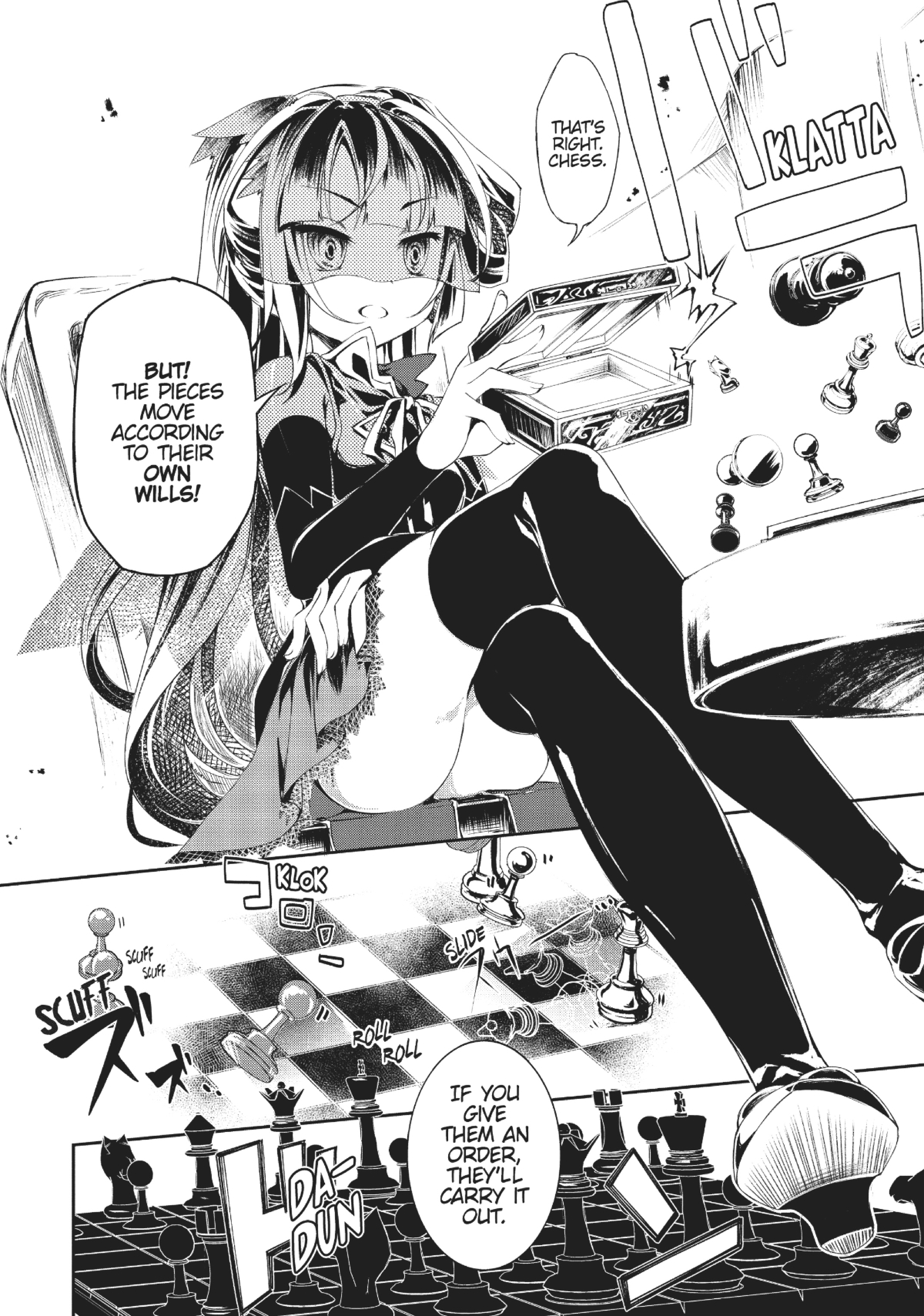
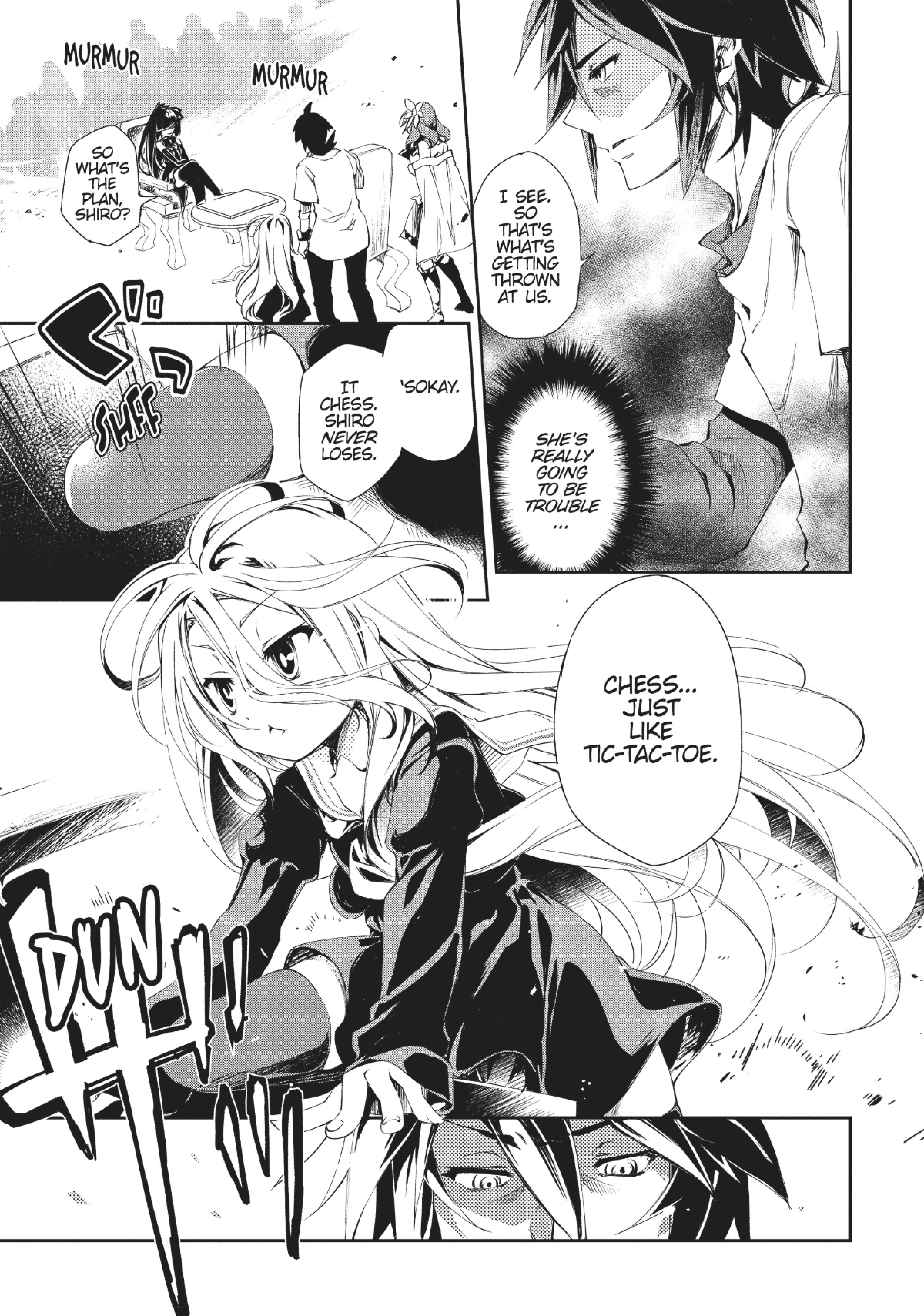
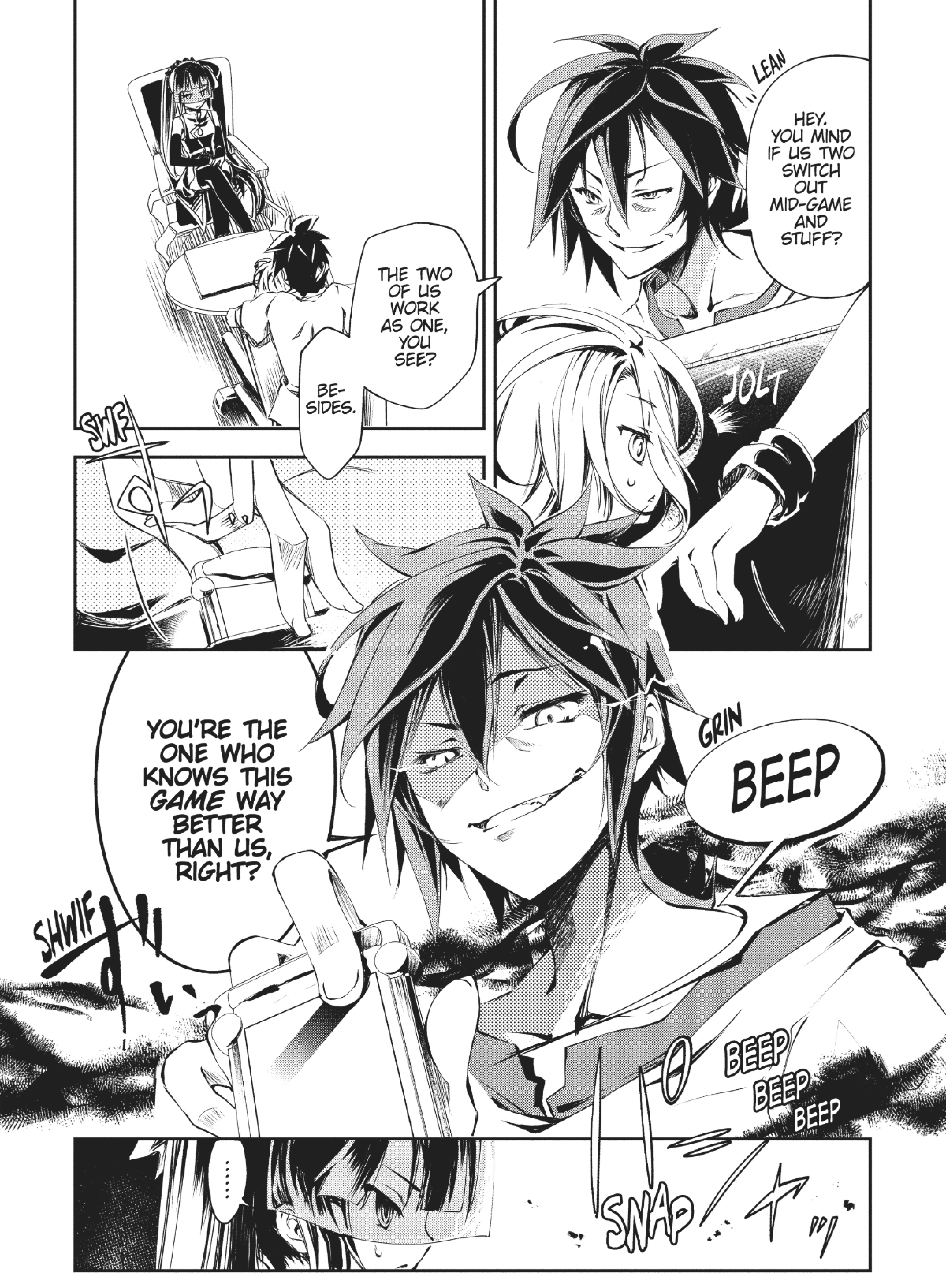

NOW, WHAT SORT OF CLEVER LITTLE GAME FULL OF CHEATS DO WE HAVE HERE...?
ER...
KLATTA
CHESS ?!
HOW'RE THEY GOING TO CHEAT AT CHESS?


KLATTA
THAT'S RIGHT. CHESS.
BUT! THE PIECES MOVE ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN WILLS!
KLOK
SLIDE
SCUFF SCUFF
SCUFF
ROLL ROLL
IF YOU GIVE THEM AN ORDER, THEY'LL CARRY IT OUT.
DA-DUN


I SEE. SO THAT'S WHAT'S GETTING THROWN AT US.
SHE'S REALLY GOING TO BE TROUBLE...
MURMUR
MURMUR
SO WHAT'S THE PLAN, SHIRO?
'SOKAY.
IT CHESS. SHIRO *NEVER* LOSES.
SHFF
CHESS... JUST LIKE TIC-TAC-TOE.
DUN


LEAN
HEY. YOU MIND IF US TWO SWITCH OUT MID-GAME AND STUFF?
JOLT
THE TWO OF US WORK AS ONE, YOU SEE?
BE-SIDES.
SWF
GRIN
BEEP
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO KNOWS THIS *GAME* WAY BETTER THAN US, RIGHT?
SHWIF
BEEP BEEP BEEP
SNAP
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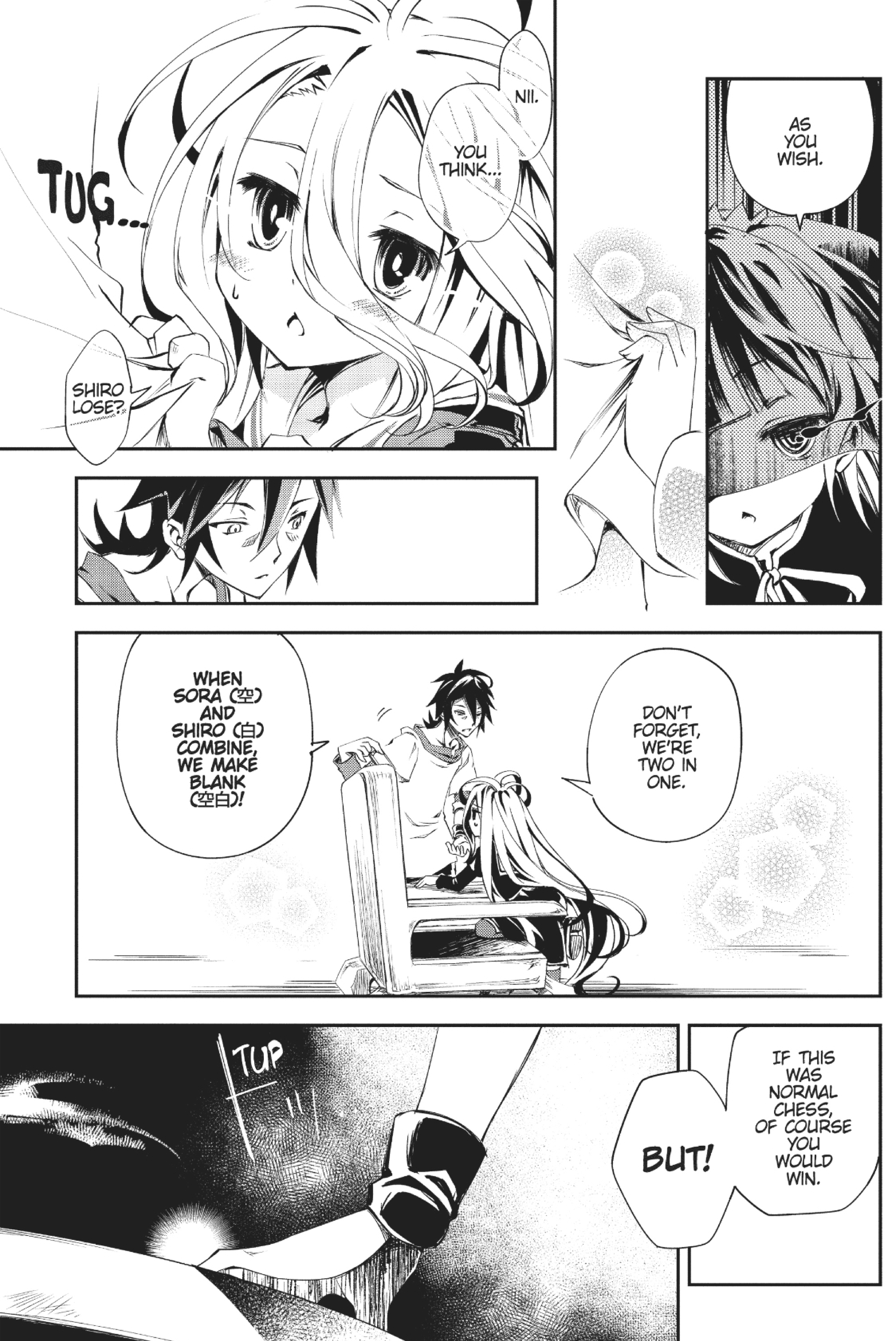
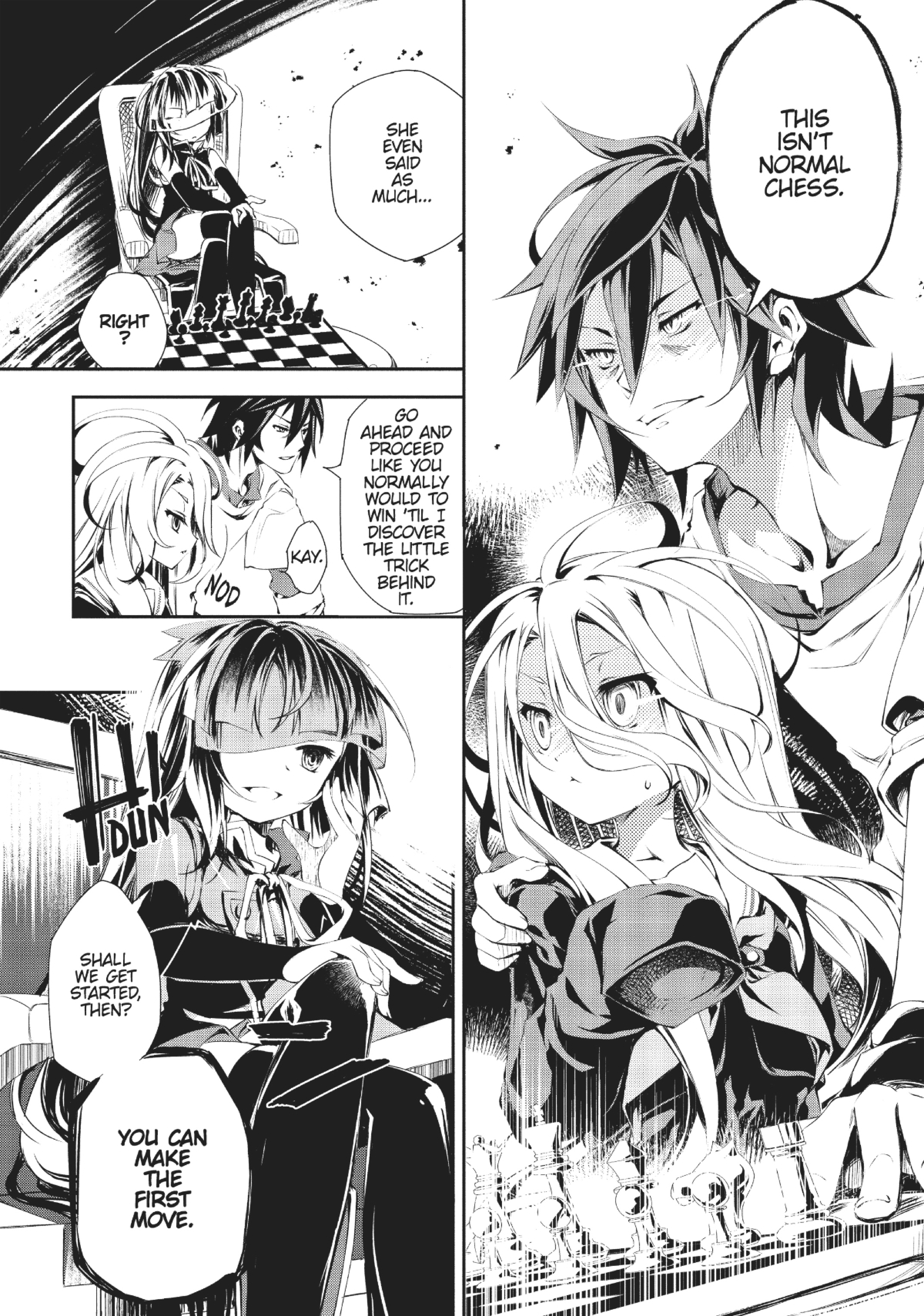
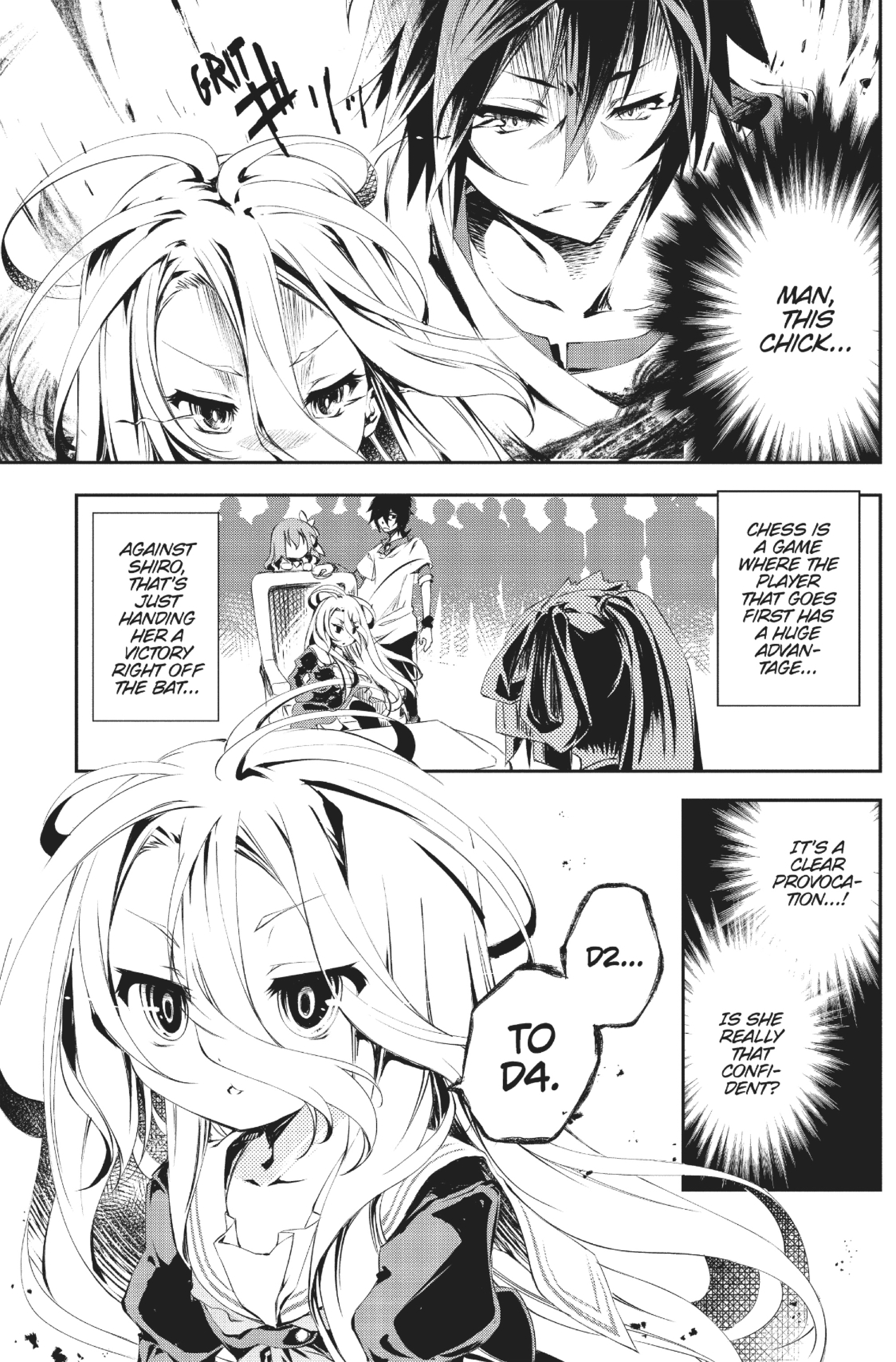
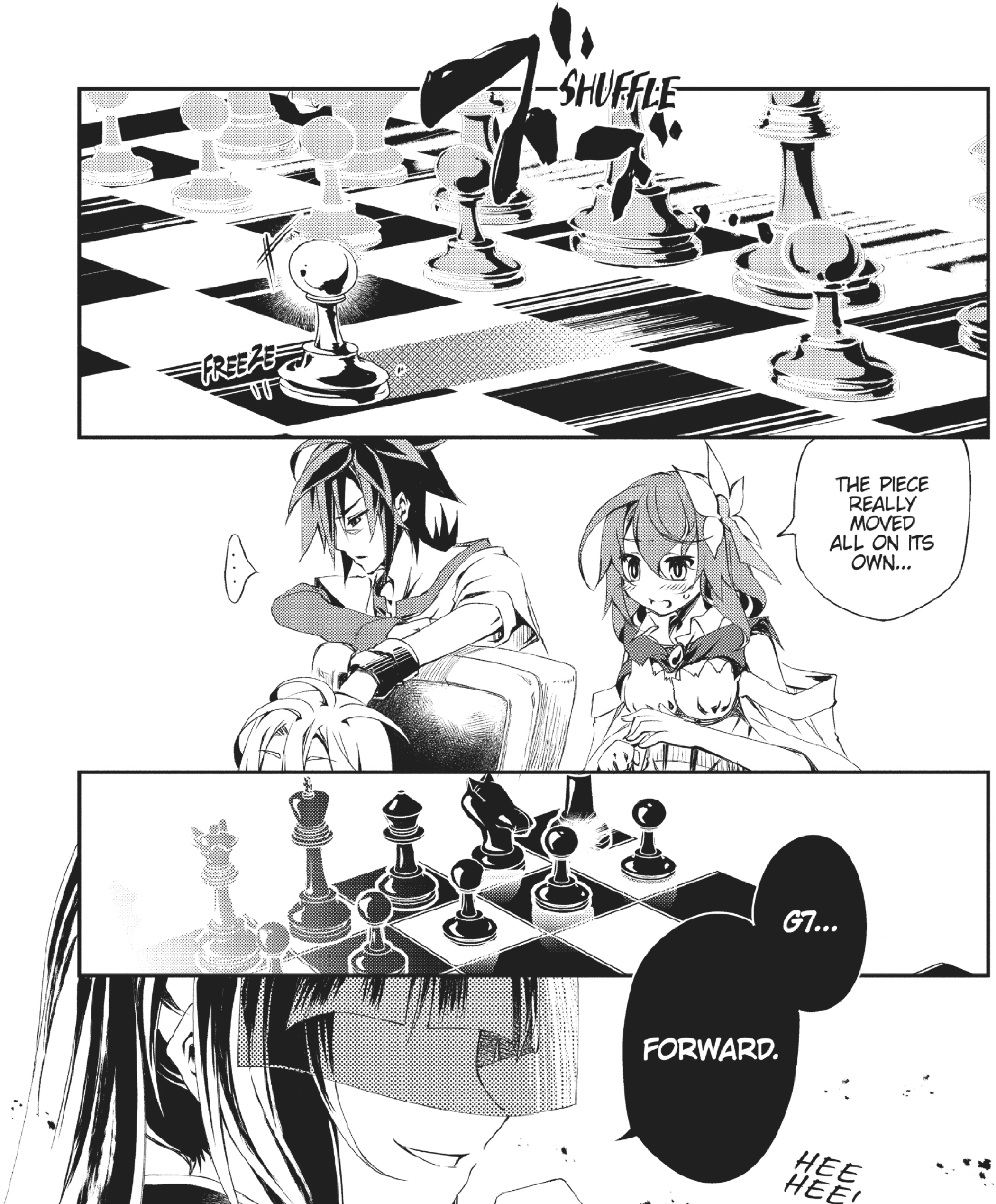
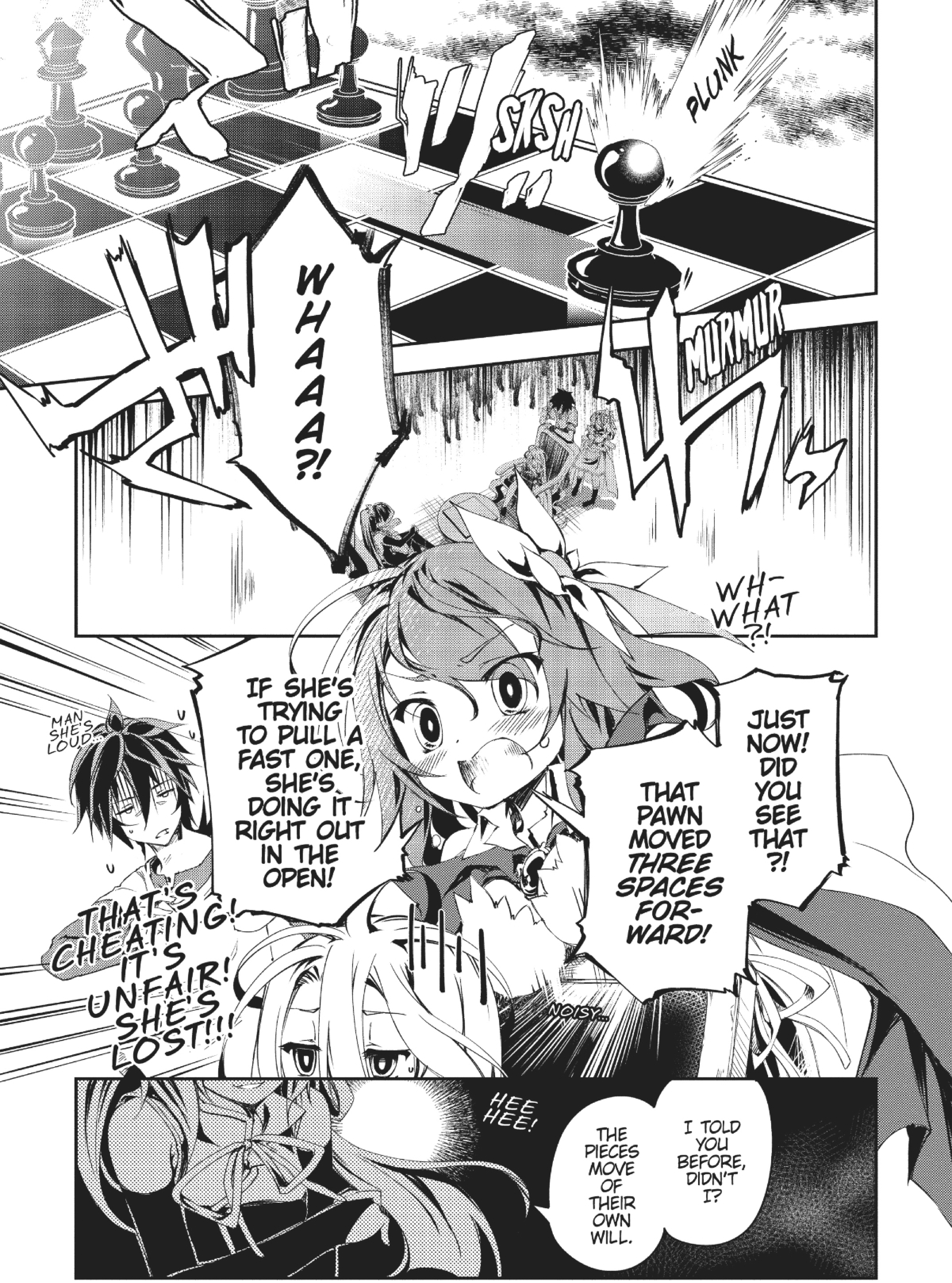
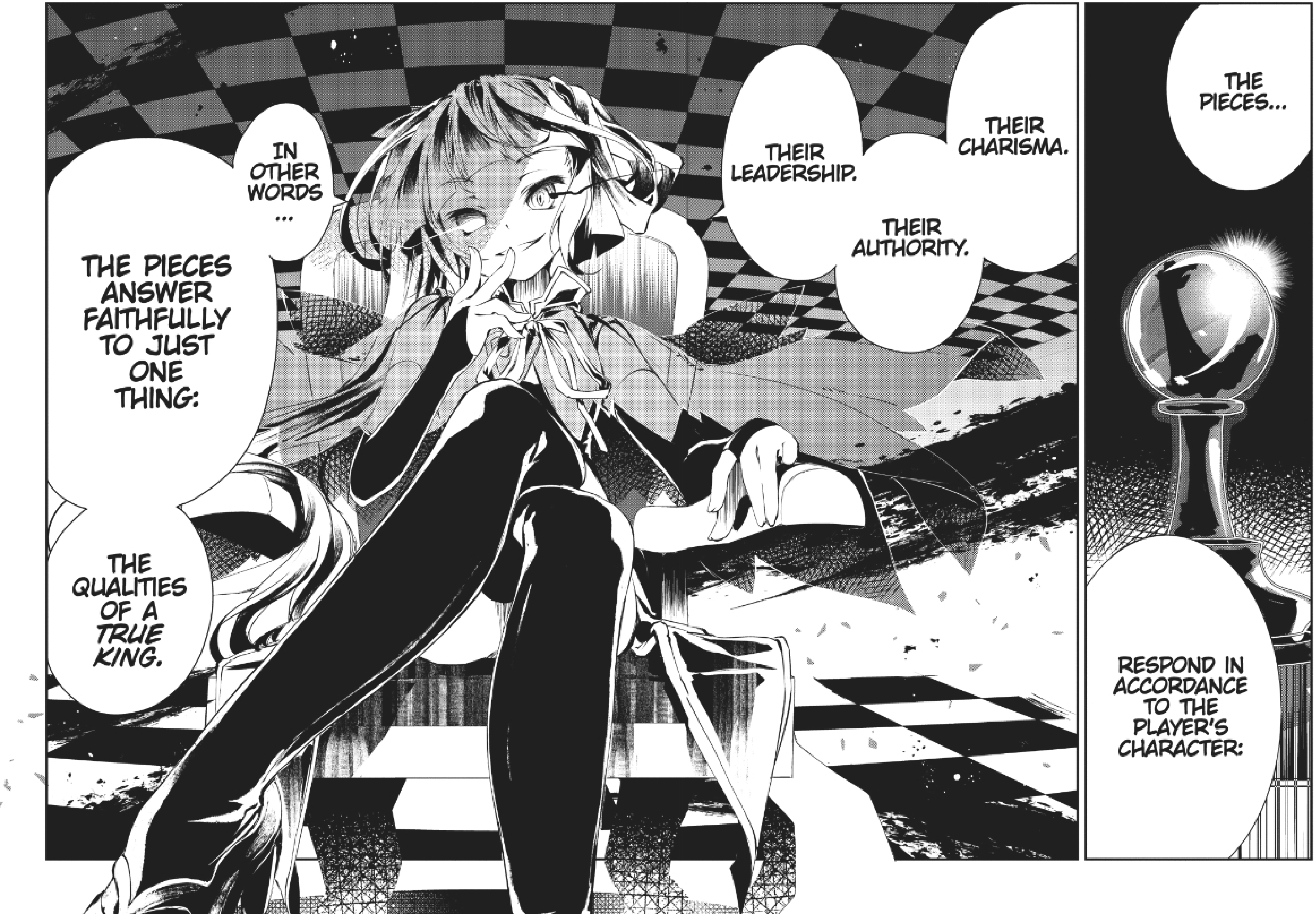

AS YOU WISH.
NII.
YOU THINK...
TUG...
SHIRO LOSE?
DON'T FORGET, WE'RE TWO IN ONE.
WHEN SORA (空) AND SHIRO (白) COMBINE, WE MAKE BLANK (空白)!
IF THIS WAS NORMAL CHESS, OF COURSE YOU WOULD WIN.
BUT!
TUP

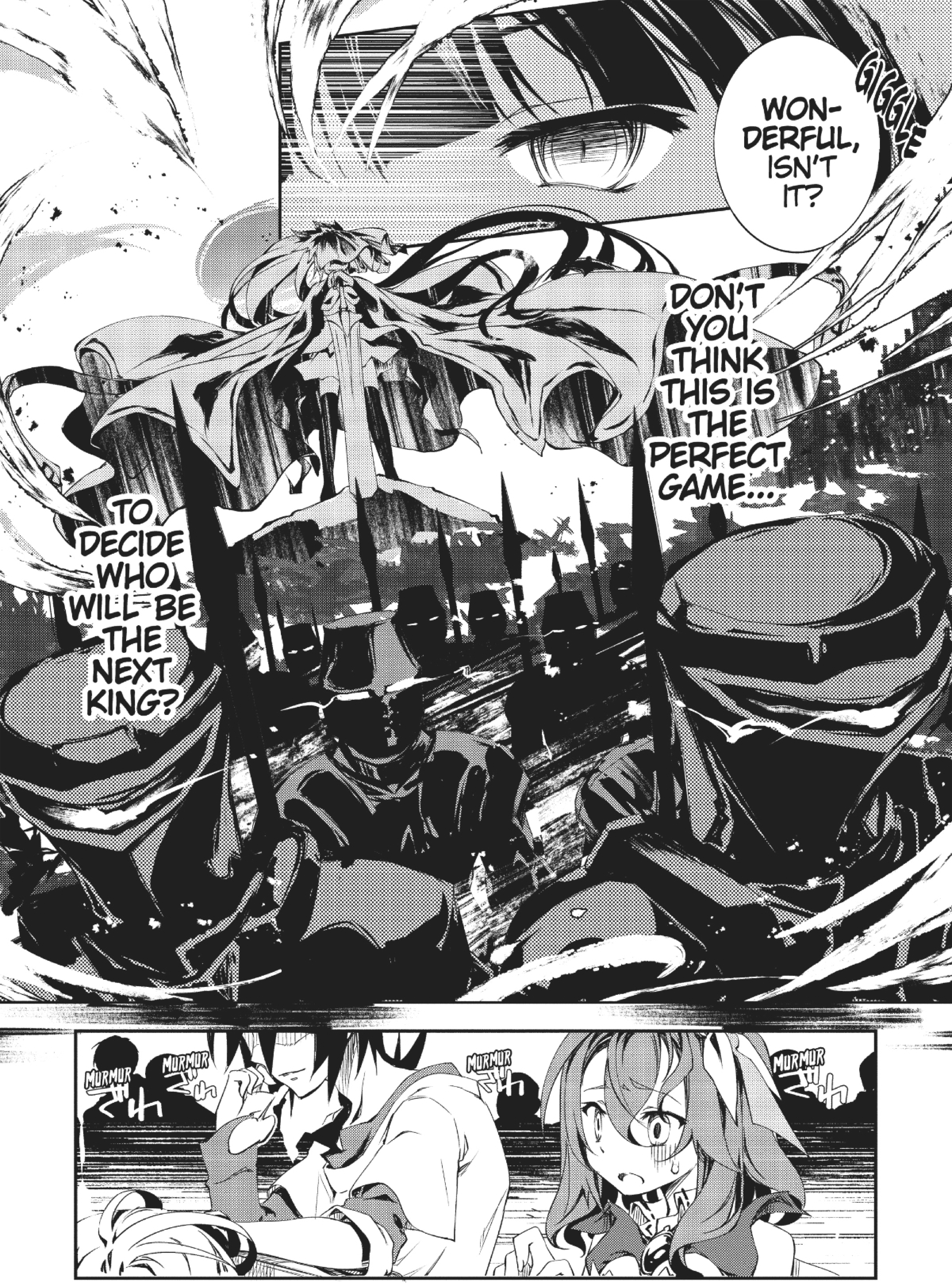

THIS ISN'T NORMAL CHESS.
SHE EVEN SAID AS MUCH...
RIGHT?
GO AHEAD AND PROCEED LIKE YOU NORMALLY WOULD TO WIN 'TIL I DISCOVER THE LITTLE TRICK BEHIND IT.
KAY.
NOD
DUN
SHALL WE GET STARTED, THEN?
YOU CAN MAKE THE FIRST MOVE.

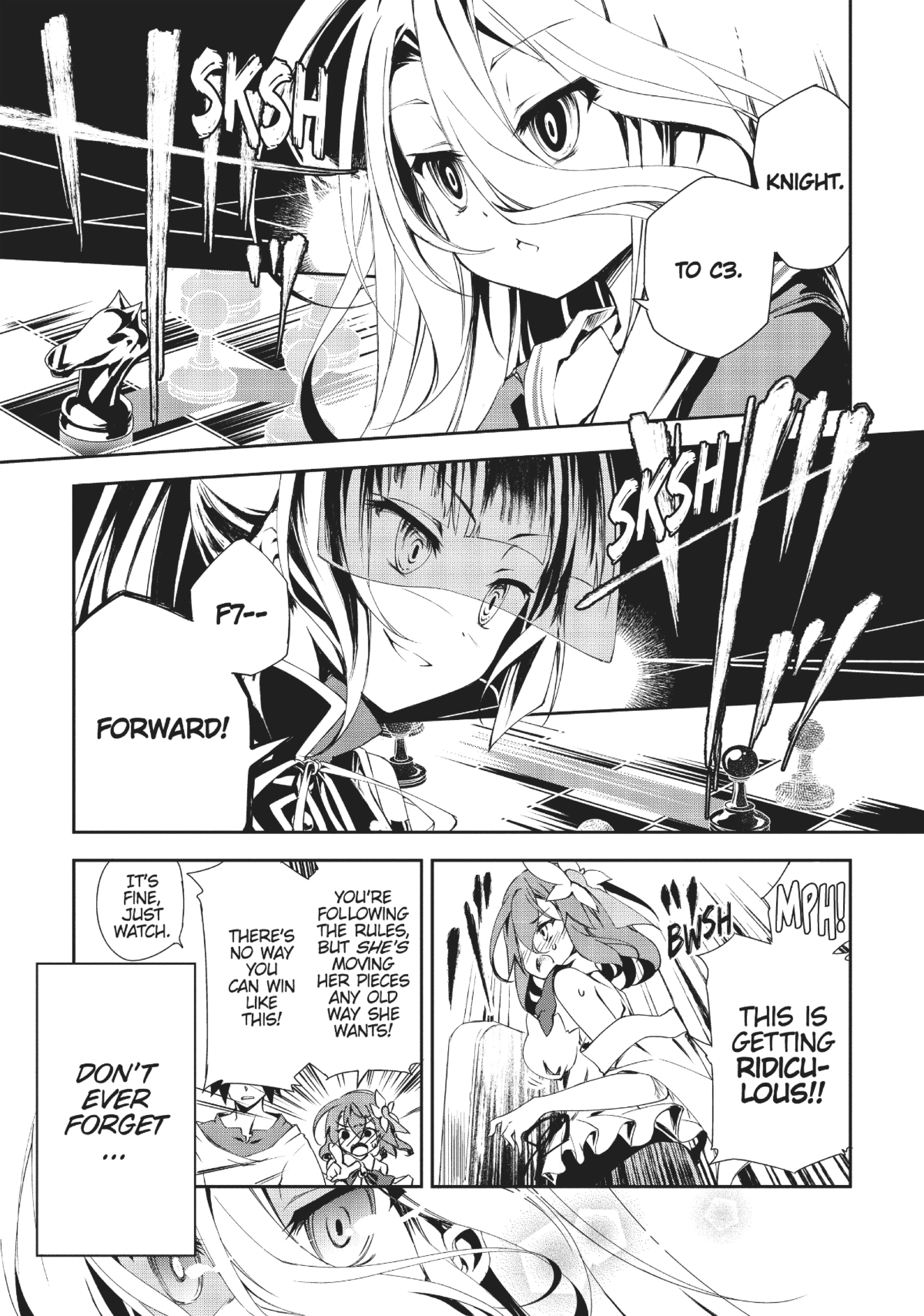

GRIT
MAN, THIS CHICK...
CHESS IS A GAME WHERE THE PLAYER THAT GOES FIRST HAS A HUGE ADVANTAGE...
AGAINST SHIRO, THAT'S JUST HANDING HER A VICTORY RIGHT OFF THE BAT...
D2... TO D4.
IT'S A CLEAR PROVOCATION...!
IS SHE REALLY THAT CONFIDENT?

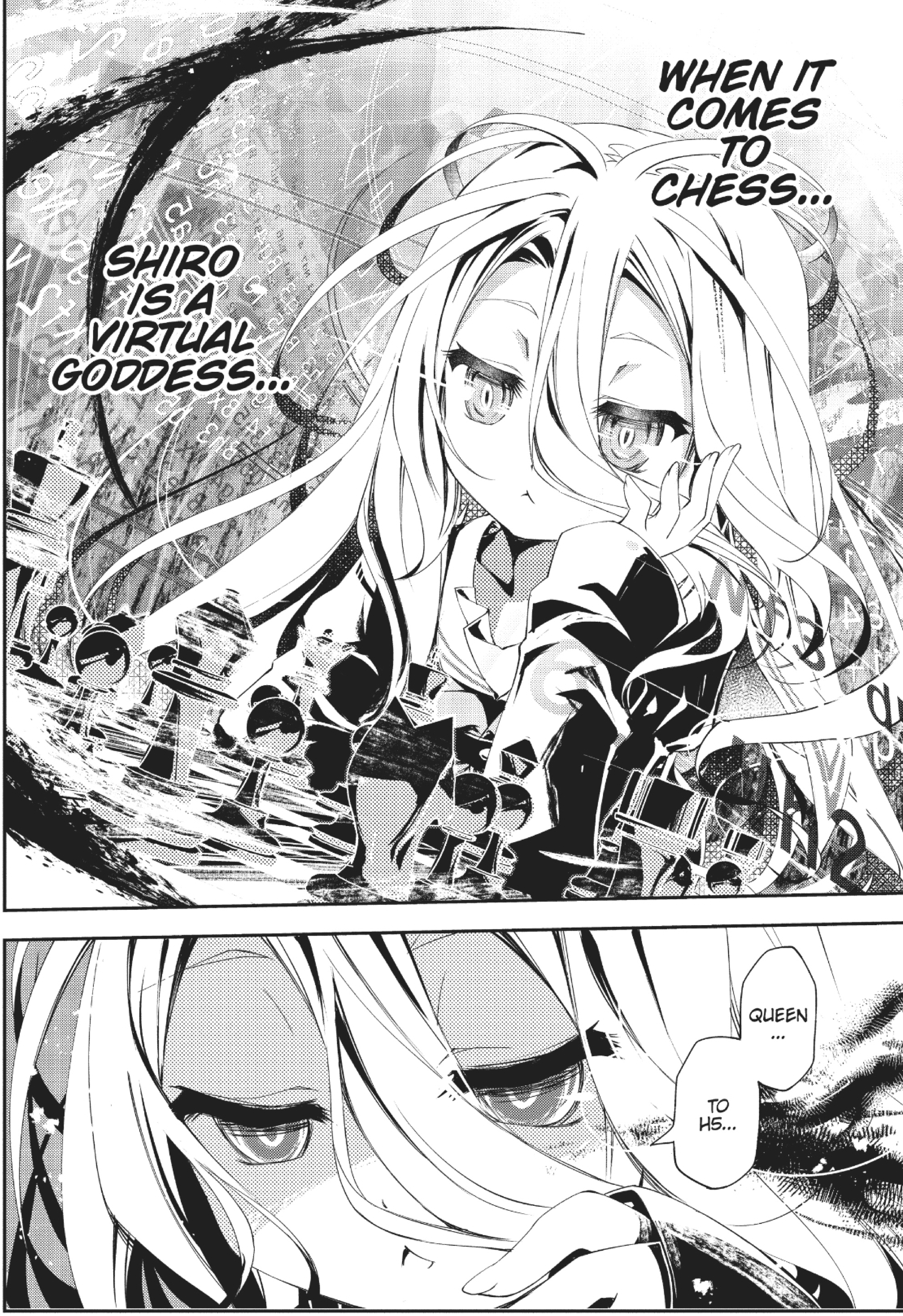

SHUFFLE
FREEZE
THE PIECE REALLY MOVED ALL ON ITS OWN...
...
G7...
FORWARD.
HEE HEE!
SHFF
SHFF

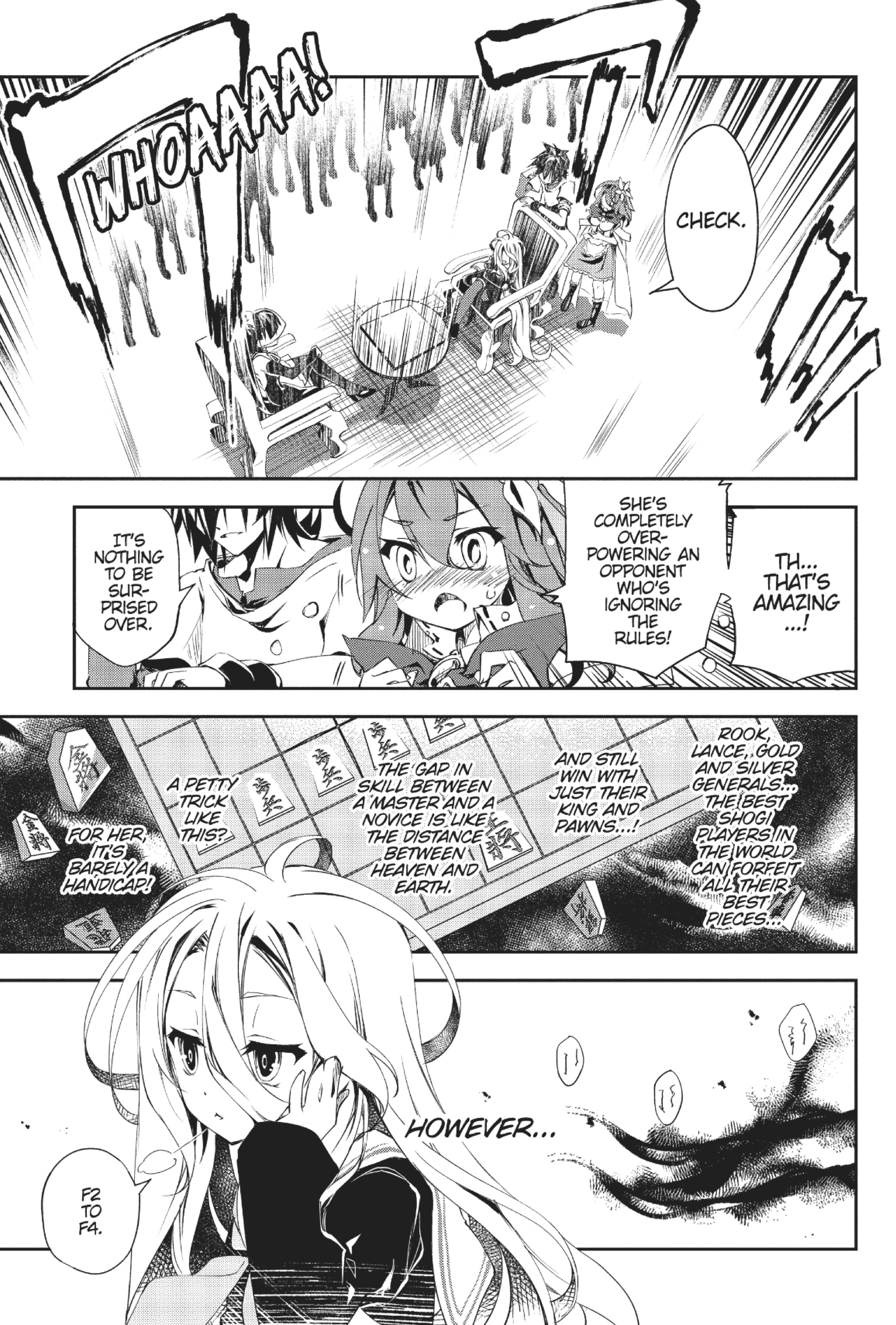

PLUNK
SKSH
WHAAAA?!
MURMUR
WH-WHAT?!
JUST NOW! DID YOU SEE THAT?!
THAT PAWN MOVED THREE SPACES FORWARD!
IF SHE'S TRYING TO PULL A FAST ONE, SHE'S DOING IT RIGHT OUT IN THE OPEN!
MAN SHE'S LOUD...
THAT'S CHEATING! IT'S UNFAIR! SHE'S LOST!!!
NOISY...
I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I?
THE PIECES MOVE OF THEIR OWN WILL.
HEE HEE!

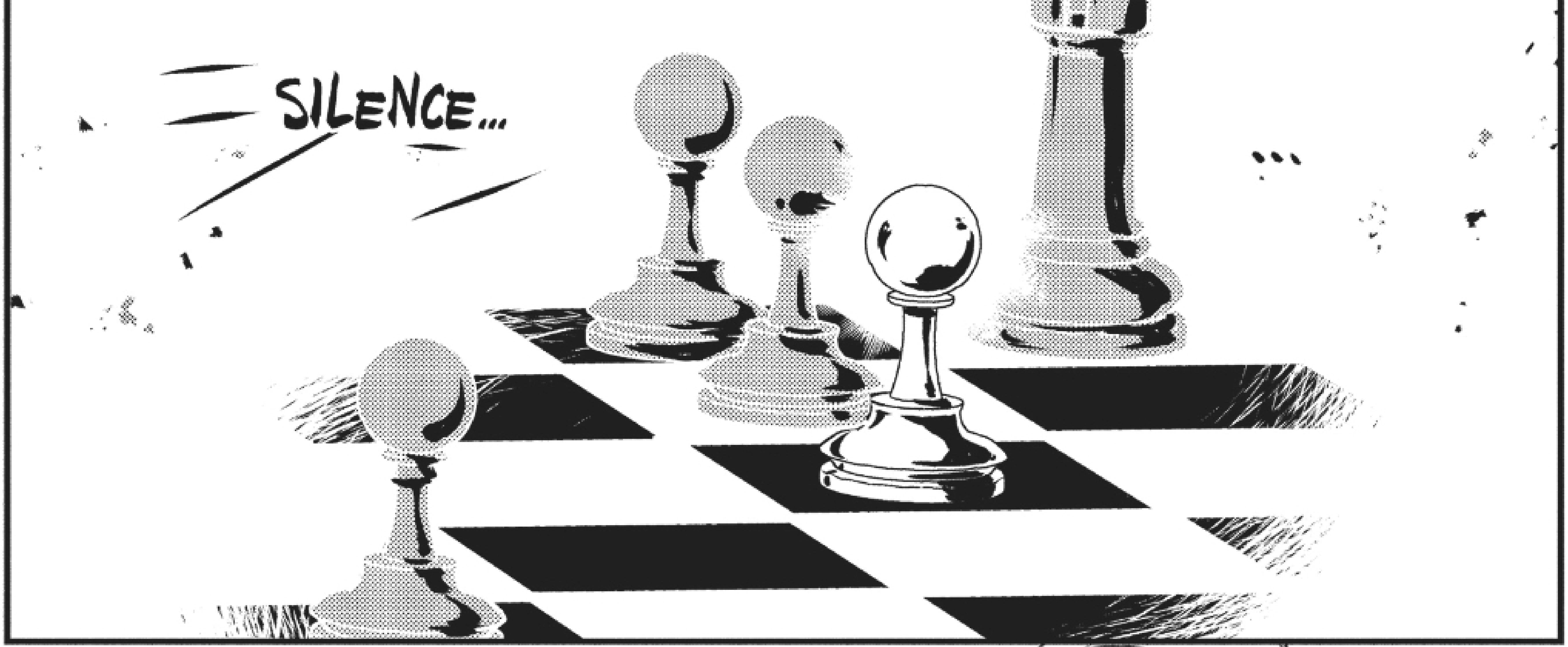

THE PIECES...
RESPOND IN ACCORDANCE TO THE PLAYER'S CHARACTER:
THEIR CHARISMA.
THEIR LEADERSHIP.
THEIR AUTHORITY.
IN OTHER WORDS...
THE PIECES ANSWER FAITHFULLY TO JUST ONE THING:
THE QUALITIES OF A *TRUE KING.*


GIGGLE
WONDERFUL, ISN'T IT?
DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS THE PERFECT GAME...
TO DECIDE WHO WILL BE THE NEXT KING?
MURMUR ざわ
MURMUR ざわ
MURMUR ざわ
MURMUR ざわ


KNIGHT.
TO C3.
SKSH
SKSH
F7--
FORWARD!
MPH!
BWSH
THIS IS GETTING RIDICU-LOUS!!
YOU'RE FOLLOWING THE RULES, BUT *SHE'S* MOVING HER PIECES ANY OLD WAY SHE WANTS!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN WIN LIKE THIS!
IT'S FINE, JUST WATCH.
DON'T EVER FORGET ...


WHEN IT COMES TO CHESS...
SHIRO IS A VIRTUAL GODDESS...
QUEEN ...
TO H5...


CHECK.
WHOAAAA!
TH... THAT'S AMAZING...!
SHE'S COMPLETELY OVER-POWERING AN OPPONENT WHO'S IGNORING THE RULES!
IT'S NOTHING TO BE SURPRISED OVER.
ROOK, LANCE, GOLD AND SILVER GENERALS... THE BEST SHOGI PLAYERS IN THE WORLD CAN FORFEIT ALL THEIR BEST PIECES...
AND STILL WIN WITH JUST THEIR KING AND PAWNS...!
THE GAP IN SKILL BETWEEN A MASTER AND A NOVICE IS LIKE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH.
A PETTY TRICK LIKE THIS?
FOR HER, IT'S BARELY A HANDICAP!
HOWEVER...
F2 TO F4.


SILENCE...
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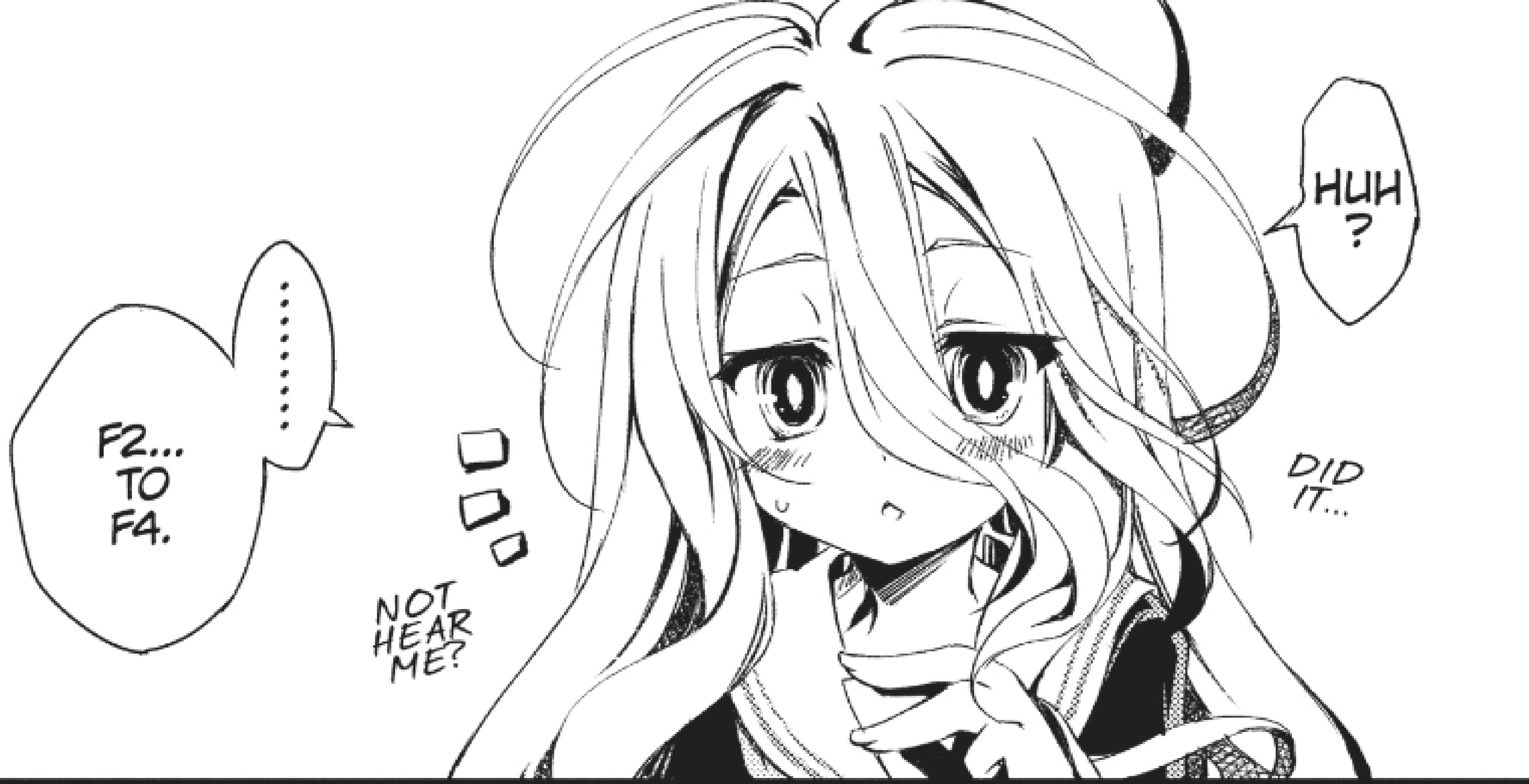
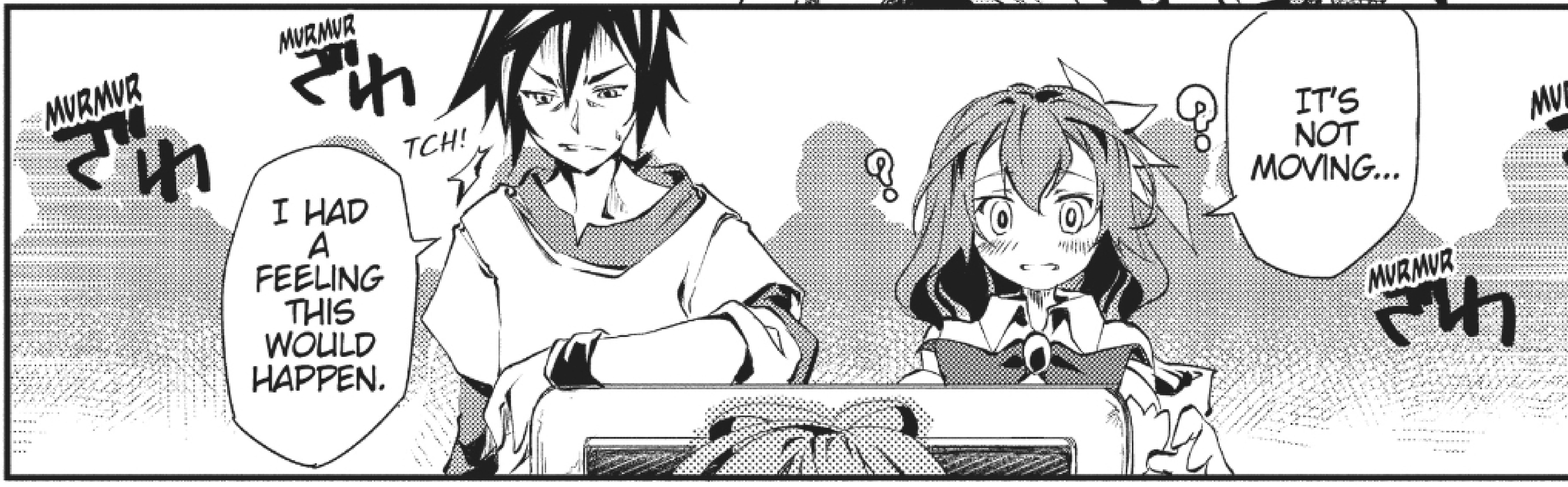
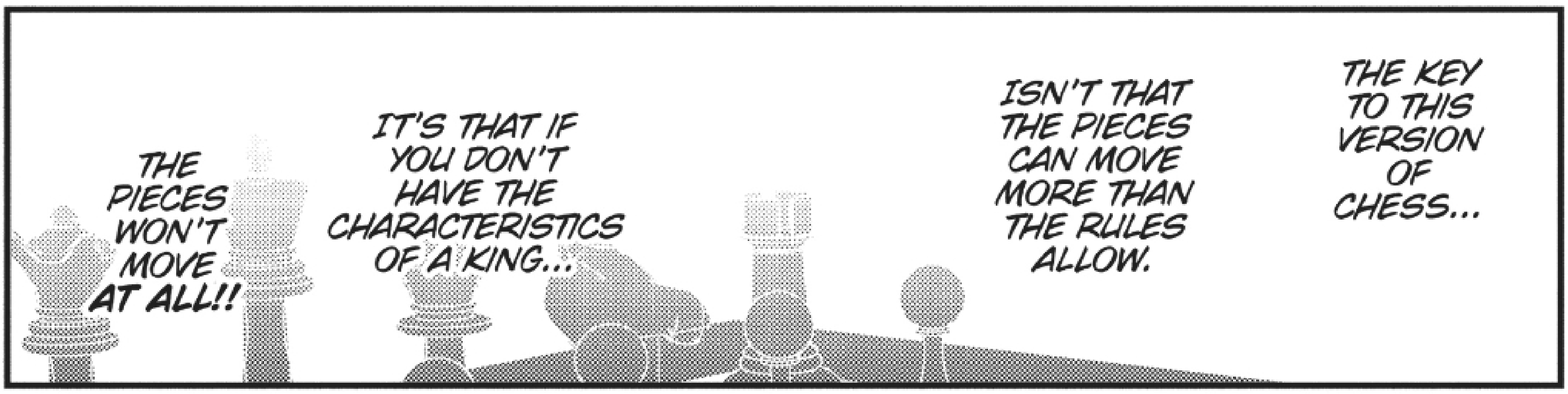
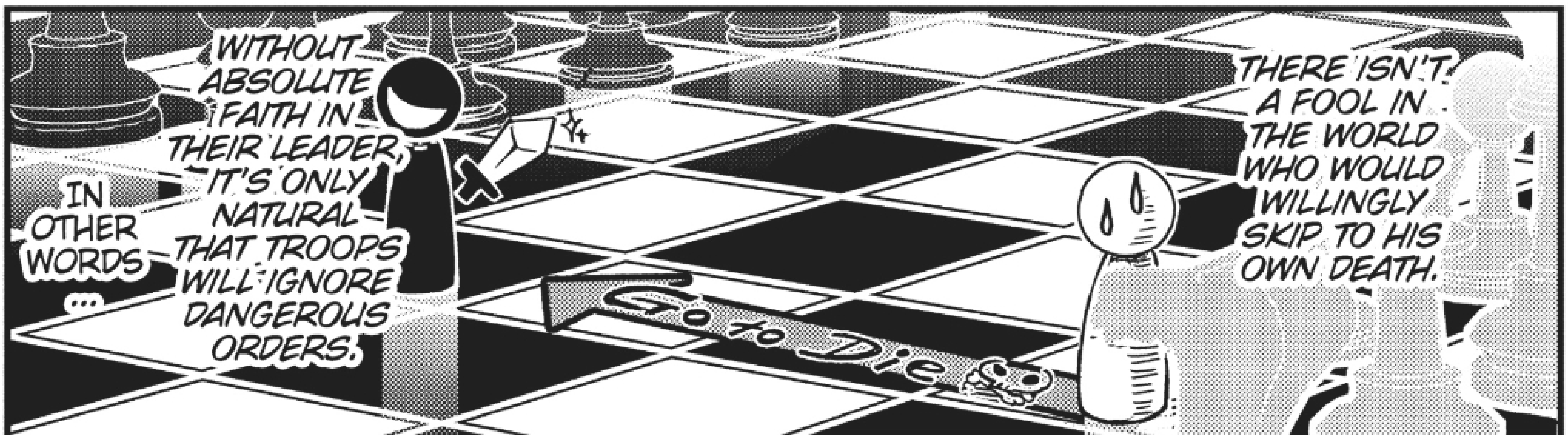
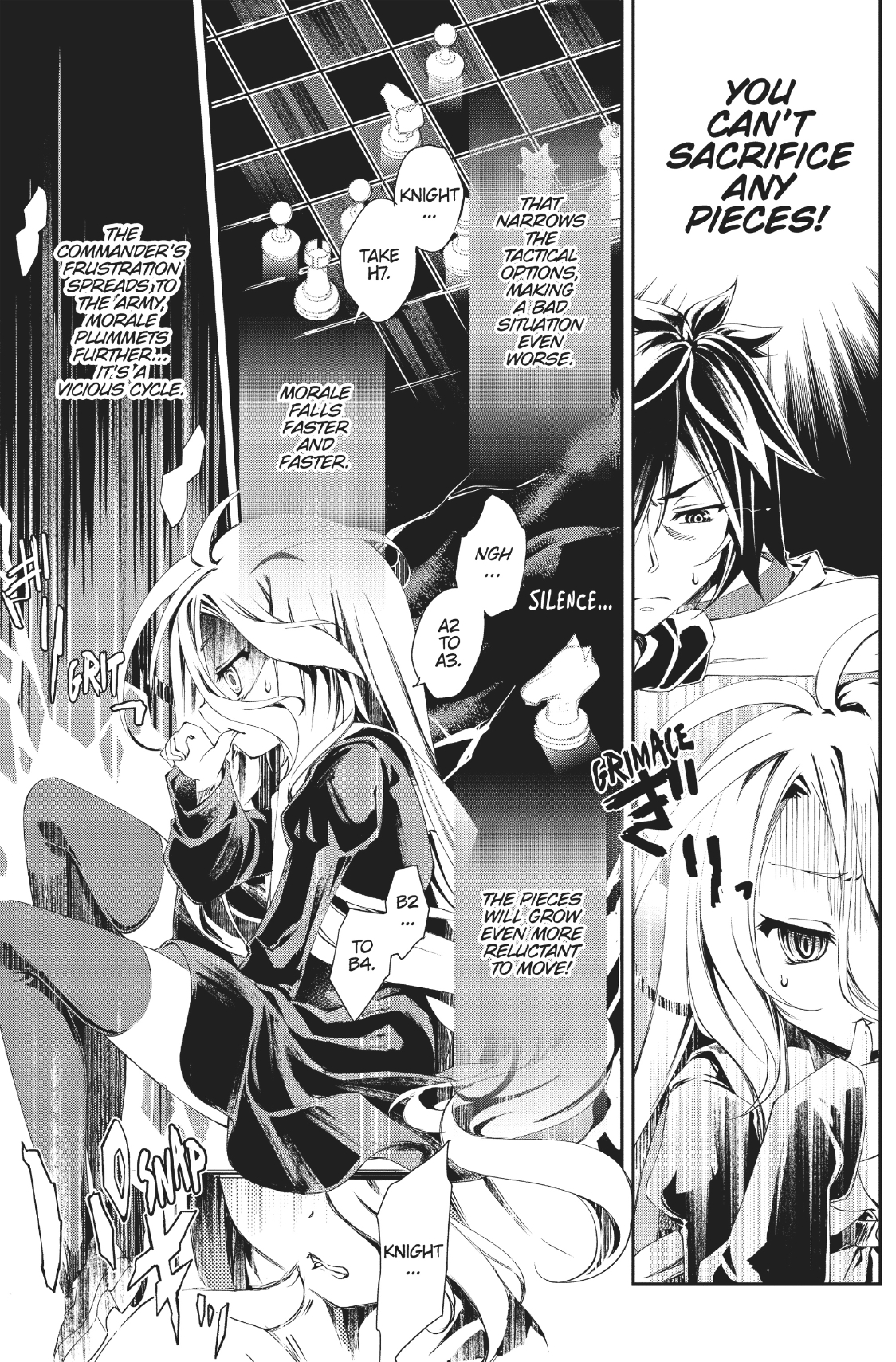
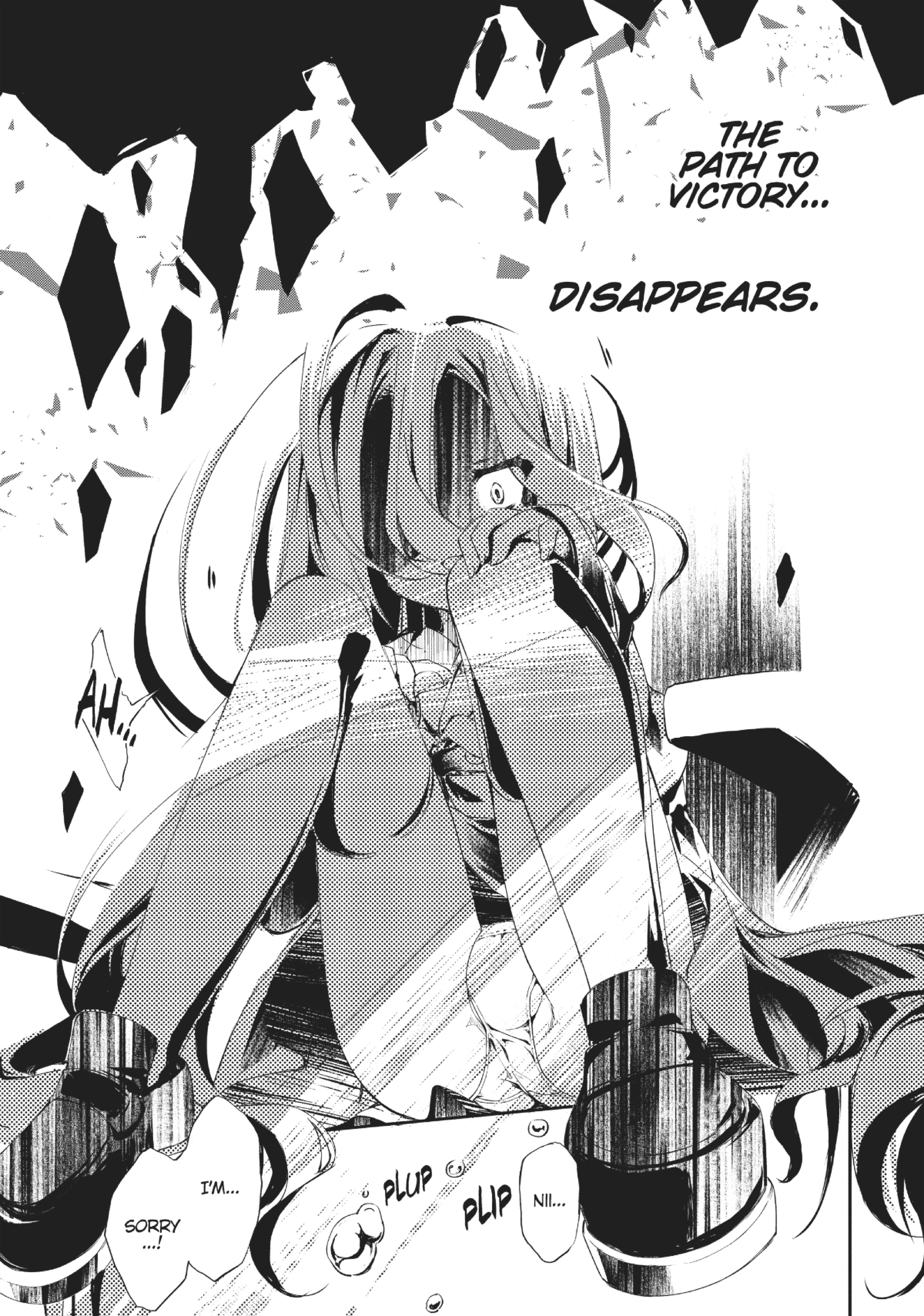

HUH?
DID IT...
......
F2... TO F4.
NOT HEAR ME?

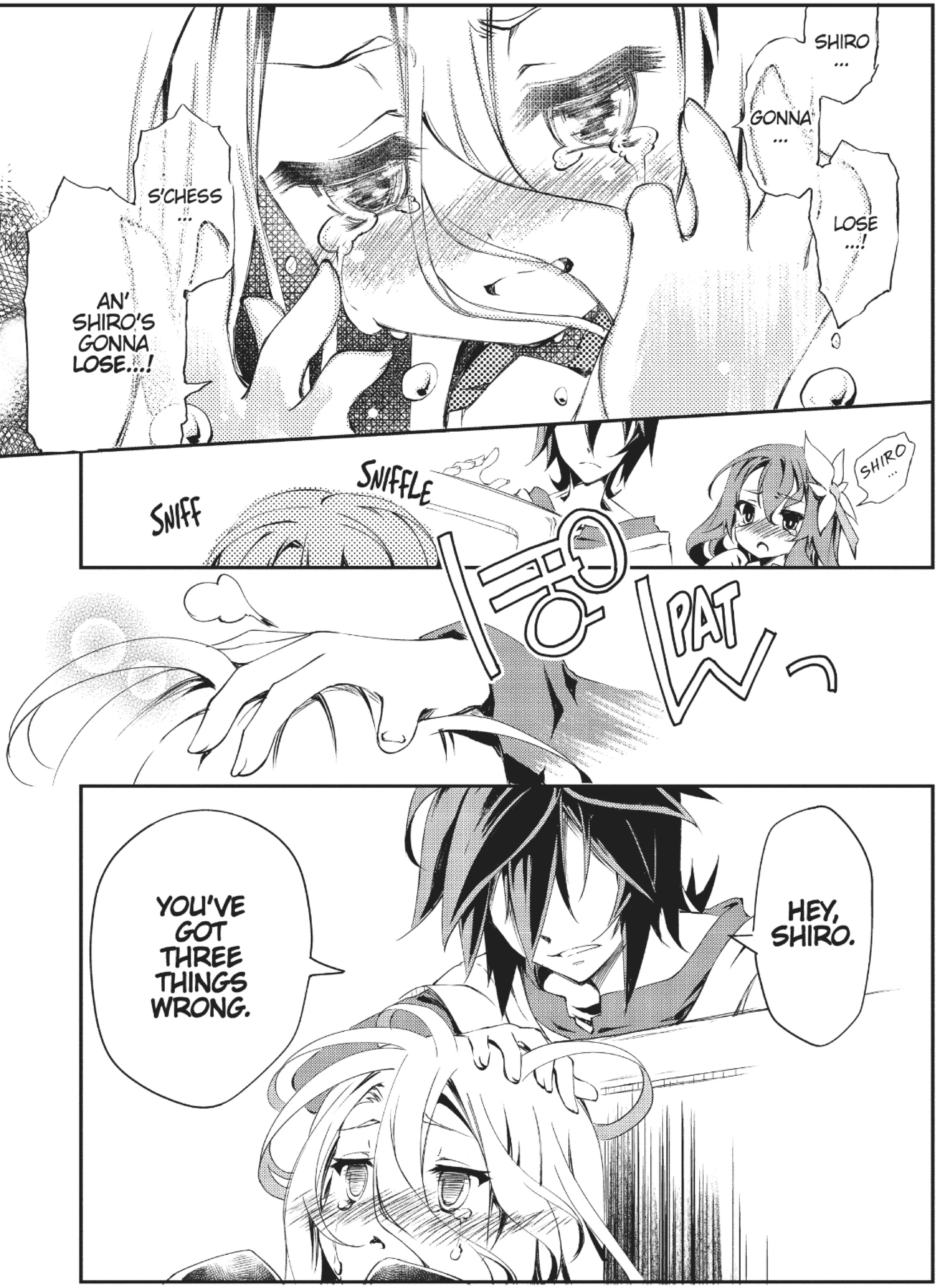

MURMUR ざわ
IT'S NOT MOVING...
MURMUR ざわ
MURMUR ざわ
TCH!
I HAD A FEELING THIS WOULD HAPPEN.
MURMUR ざわ

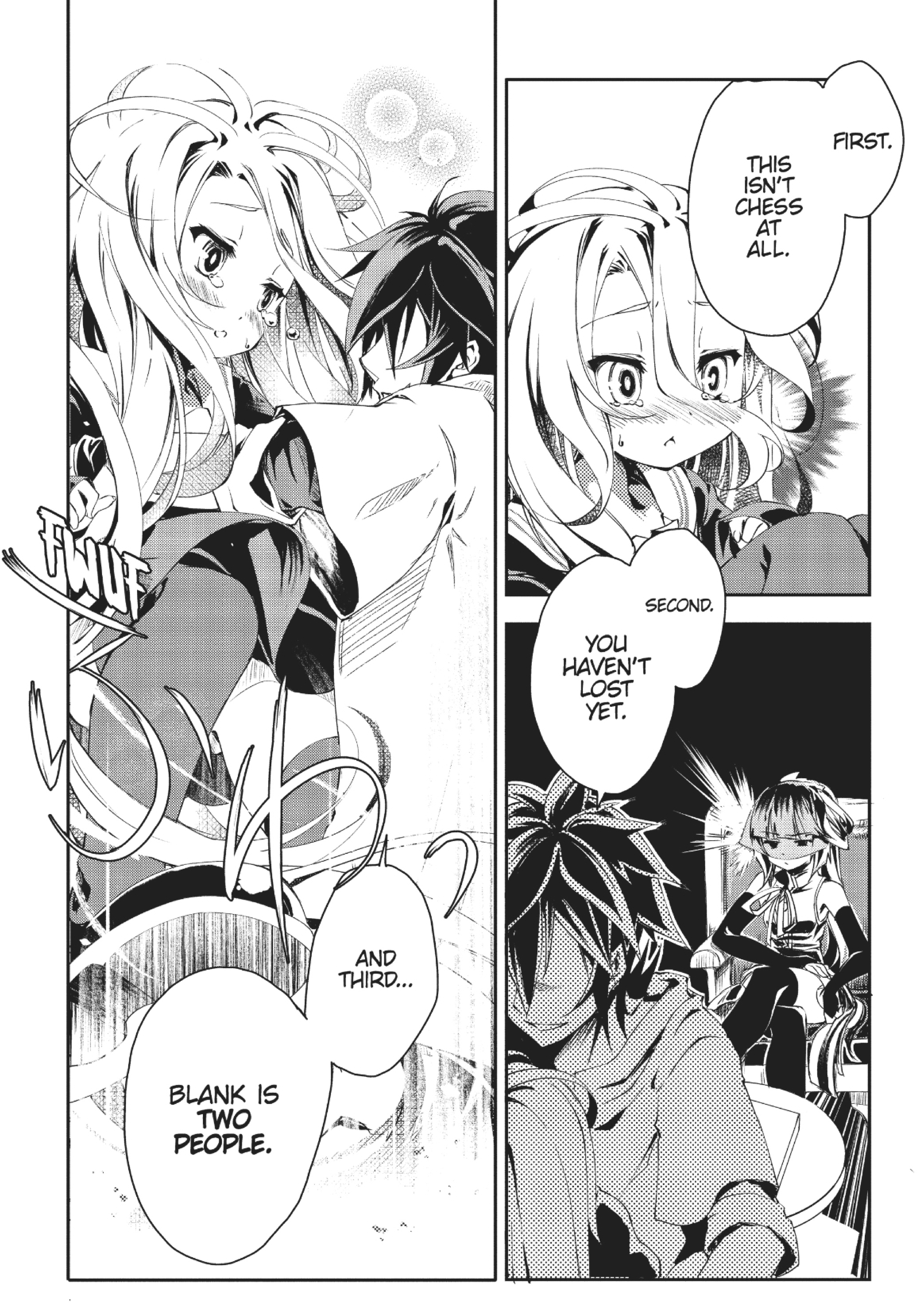

THE KEY TO THIS VERSION OF CHESS...
ISN'T THAT THE PIECES CAN MOVE MORE THAN THE RULES ALLOW.
IT'S THAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A KING...
THE PIECES WON'T MOVE AT ALL!!

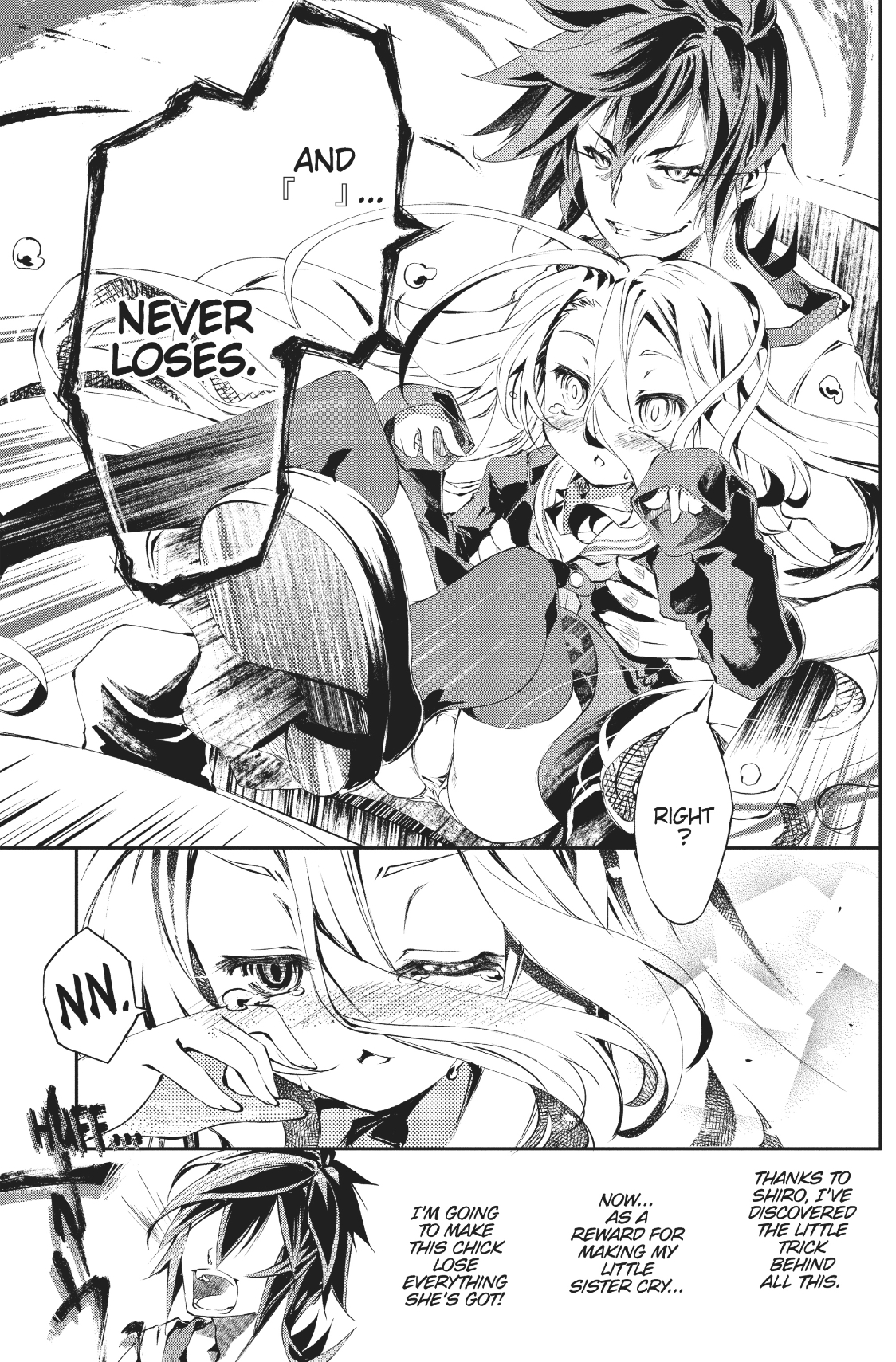

THERE ISN'T A FOOL IN THE WORLD WHO WOULD WILLINGLY SKIP TO HIS OWN DEATH.
WITHOUT ABSOLUTE FAITH IN THEIR LEADER, IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT TROOPS WILL IGNORE DANGEROUS ORDERS.
IN OTHER WORDS...
Go to Die

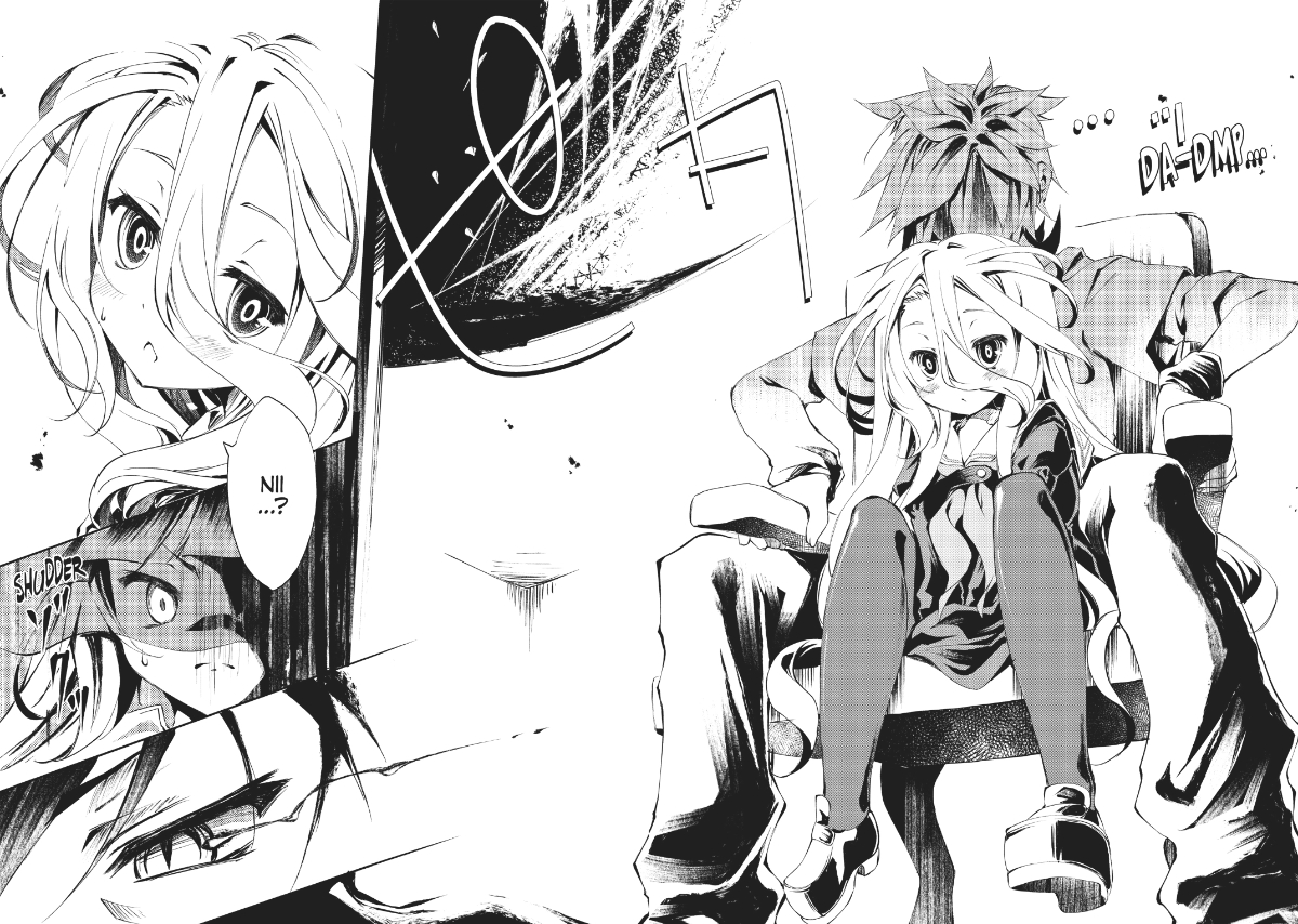

YOU CAN'T SACRIFICE ANY PIECES!
THAT NARROWS THE TACTICAL OPTIONS, MAKING A BAD SITUATION EVEN WORSE.
KNIGHT...
TAKE H7.
THE COMMANDER'S FRUSTRATION SPREADS TO THE ARMY, MORALE PLUMMETS FURTHER... IT'S A VICIOUS CYCLE.
MORALE FALLS FASTER AND FASTER.
SILENCE...
NGH...
A2 TO A3.
GRIT
GRIMACE
THE PIECES WILL GROW EVEN MORE RELUCTANT TO MOVE!
B2...
TO B4.
SNAP
KNIGHT...

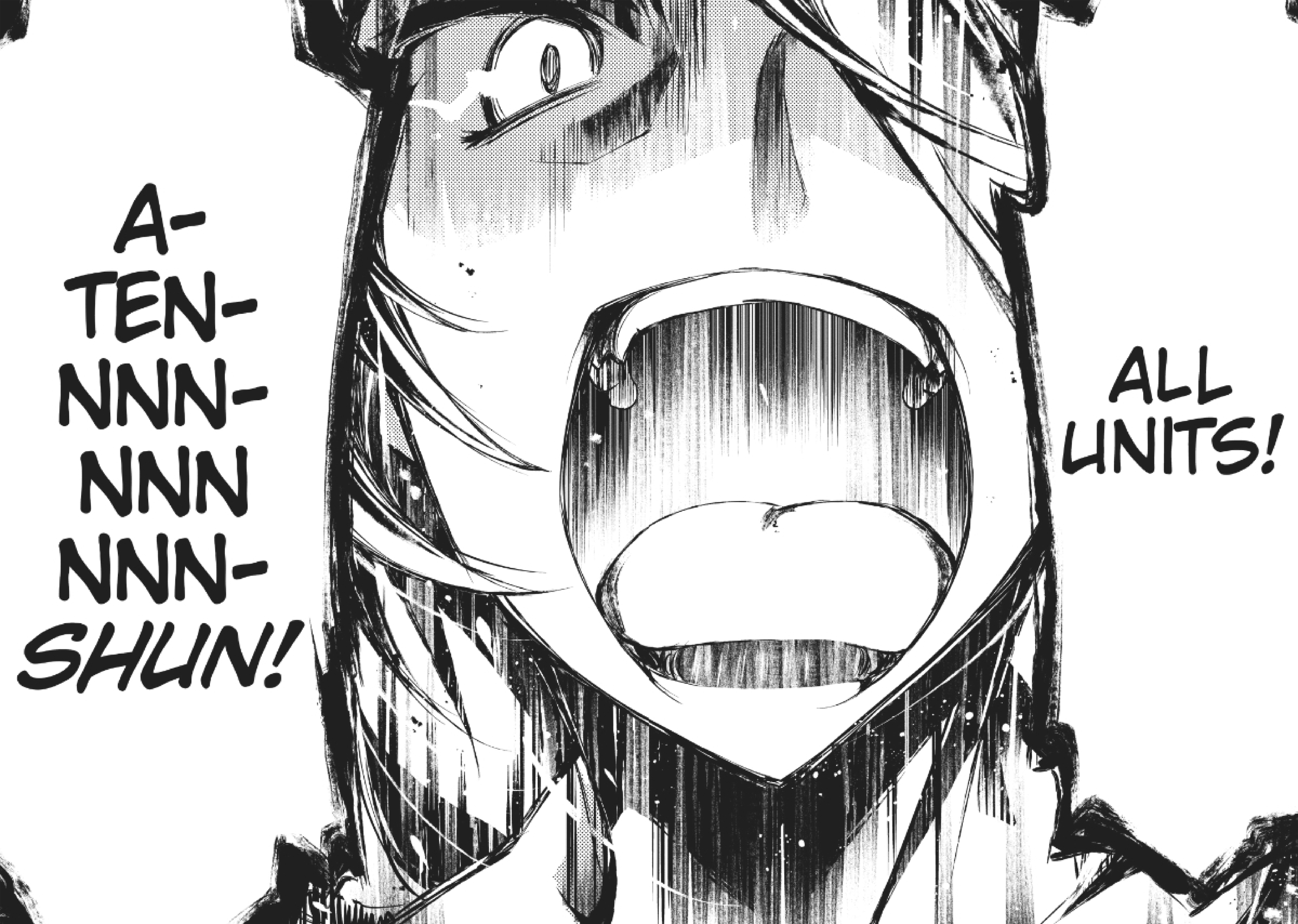

THE PATH TO VICTORY...
DISAPPEARS.
AH...
NII...
PLIP
PLUP
I'M... SORRY ...!

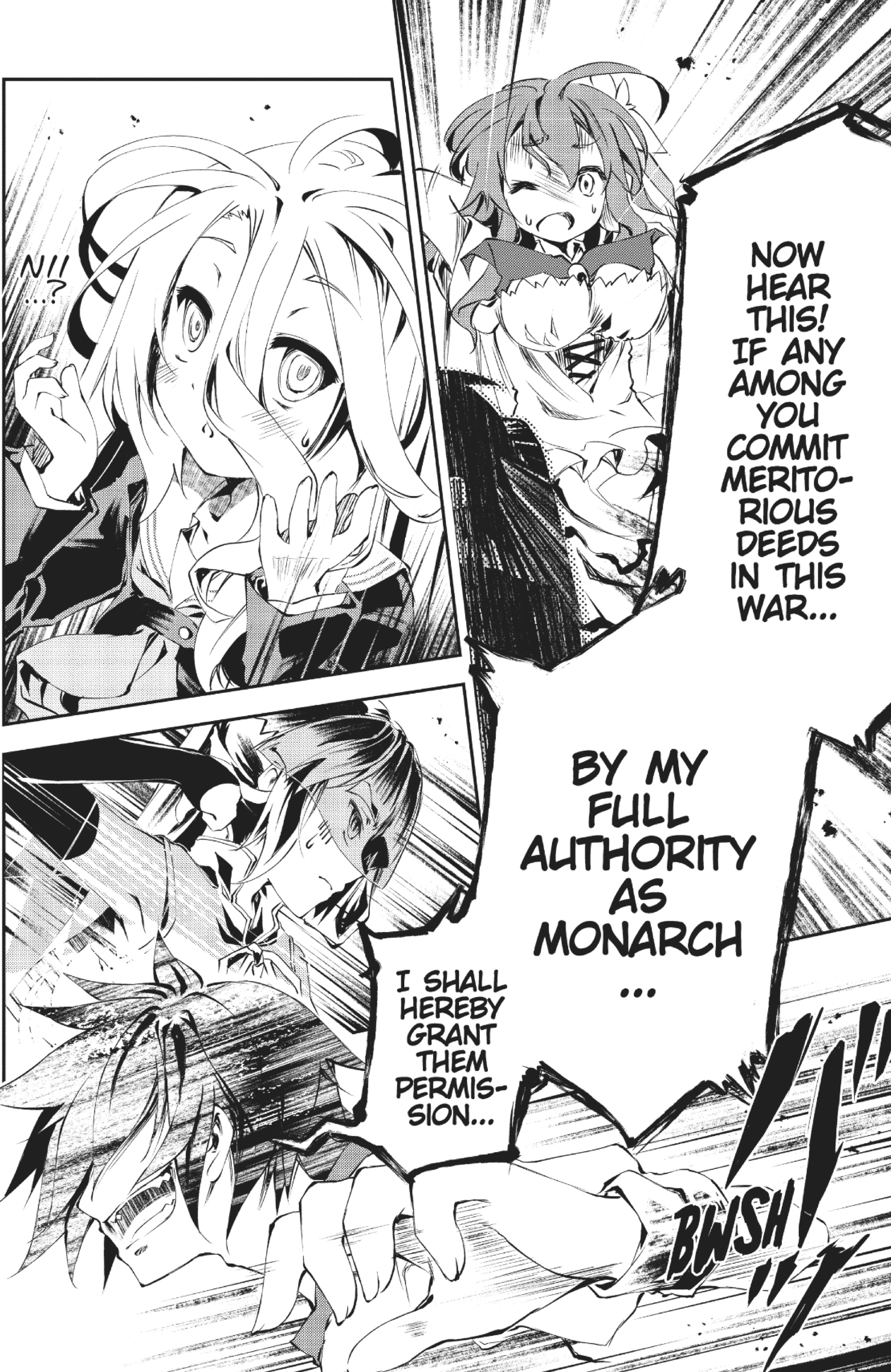

SHIRO ...
GONNA ...
LOSE ...!
S'CHESS ...
AN' SHIRO'S GONNA LOSE...!
SHIRO ...
SNIFFLE
SNIFF
PAT
HEY, SHIRO.
YOU'VE GOT THREE THINGS WRONG.

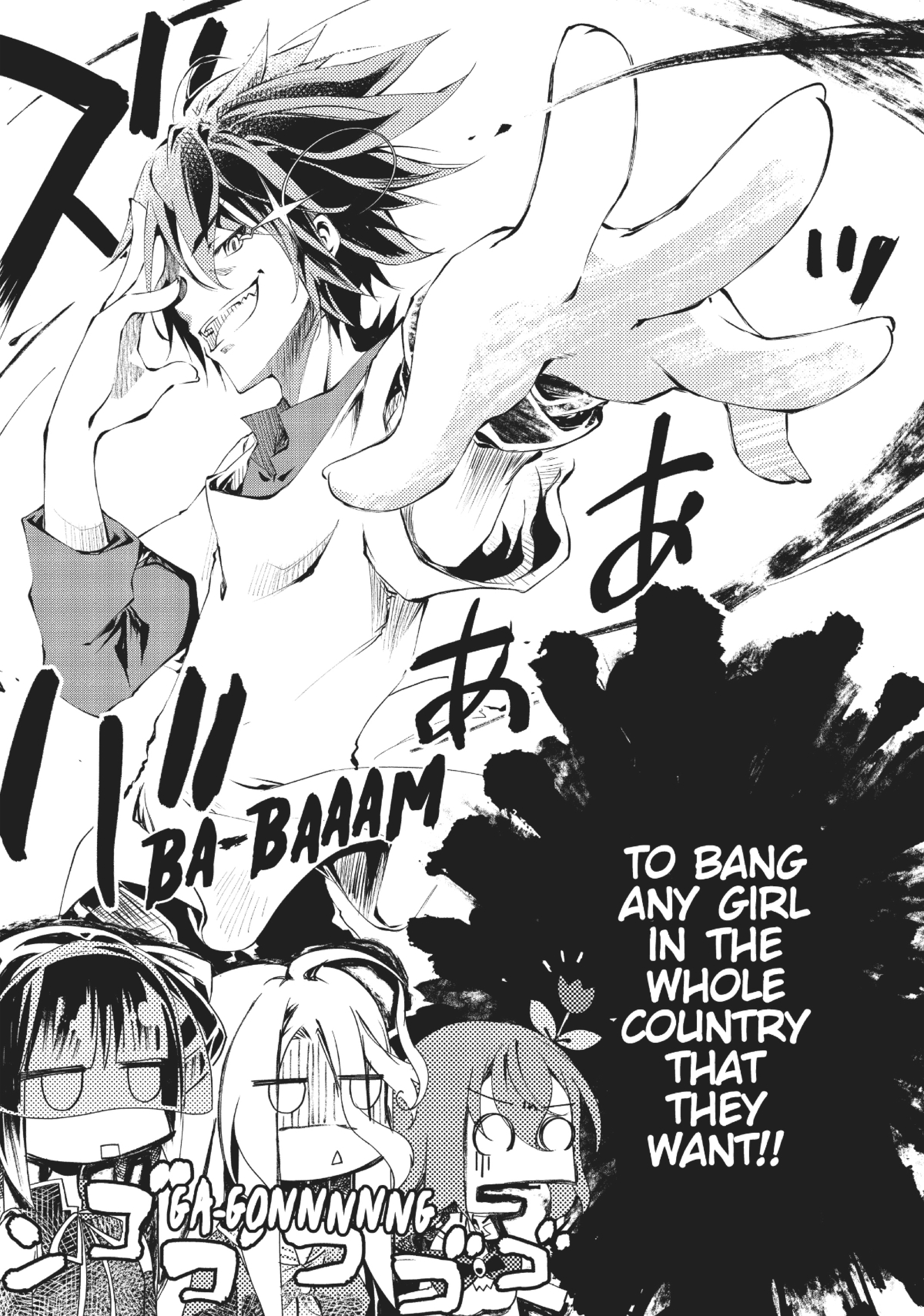

FIRST.
THIS ISN'T CHESS AT ALL.
SECOND.
YOU HAVEN'T LOST YET.
FWUF
AND THIRD...
BLANK IS TWO PEOPLE.


AND 『 』... NEVER LOSES.
RIGHT?
NN.
HUFF...
THANKS TO SHIRO, I'VE DISCOVERED THE LITTLE TRICK BEHIND ALL THIS.
NOW... AS A REWARD FOR MAKING MY LITTLE SISTER CRY...
I'M GOING TO MAKE THIS CHICK LOSE EVERYTHING SHE'S GOT!

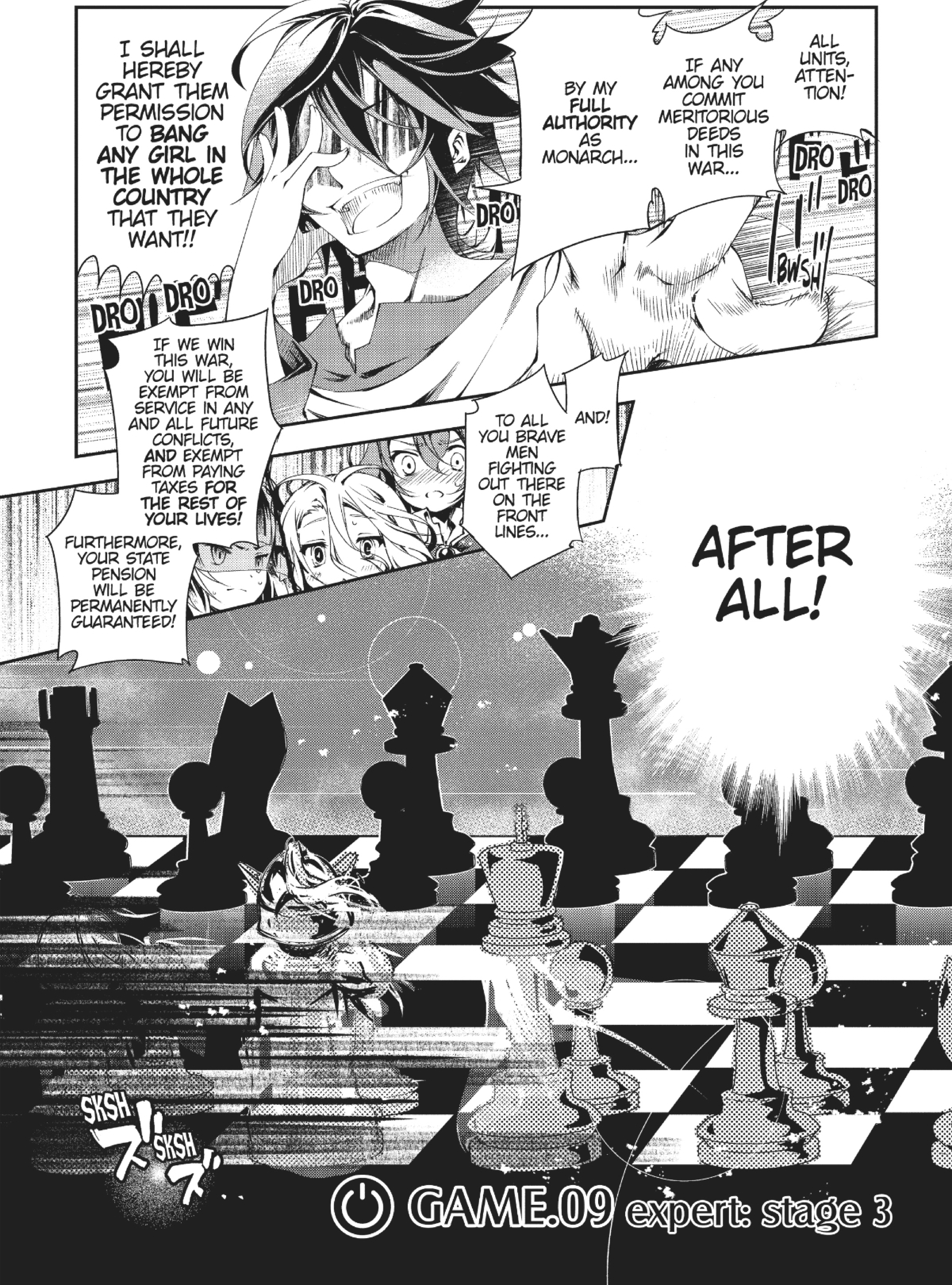

...
..!
DA-DMP...
NII ...?
SHUDDER !!


ALL UNITS!
A-TEN-NNN-NNN NNN-SHUN!


NOW HEAR THIS! IF ANY AMONG YOU COMMIT MERITORIOUS DEEDS IN THIS WAR...
N!! ...?
BY MY FULL AUTHORITY AS MONARCH ...
I SHALL HEREBY GRANT THEM PERMISSION...
BWSH!!


TO BANG ANY GIRL IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY THAT THEY WANT!!
ああ
BA-BAAAM
GA-GONNNNNG

No
Game
No
Life


ALL UNITS, ATTENTION!
IF ANY AMONG YOU COMMIT MERITORIOUS DEEDS IN THIS WAR...
BY MY **FULL AUTHORITY** AS MONARCH...
I SHALL HEREBY GRANT THEM PERMISSION TO **BANG ANY GIRL IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY** THAT THEY WANT!!
DRO DRO
BWSH
DRO
DRO
DRO DRO
AND!
TO ALL YOU BRAVE MEN FIGHTING OUT THERE ON THE FRONT LINES...
IF WE WIN THIS WAR, YOU WILL BE EXEMPT FROM SERVICE IN ANY AND ALL FUTURE CONFLICTS, **AND EXEMPT FROM PAYING TAXES FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIVES!**
FURTHERMORE, YOUR STATE PENSION WILL BE PERMANENTLY GUARANTEED!
AFTER ALL!
SKSH SKSH

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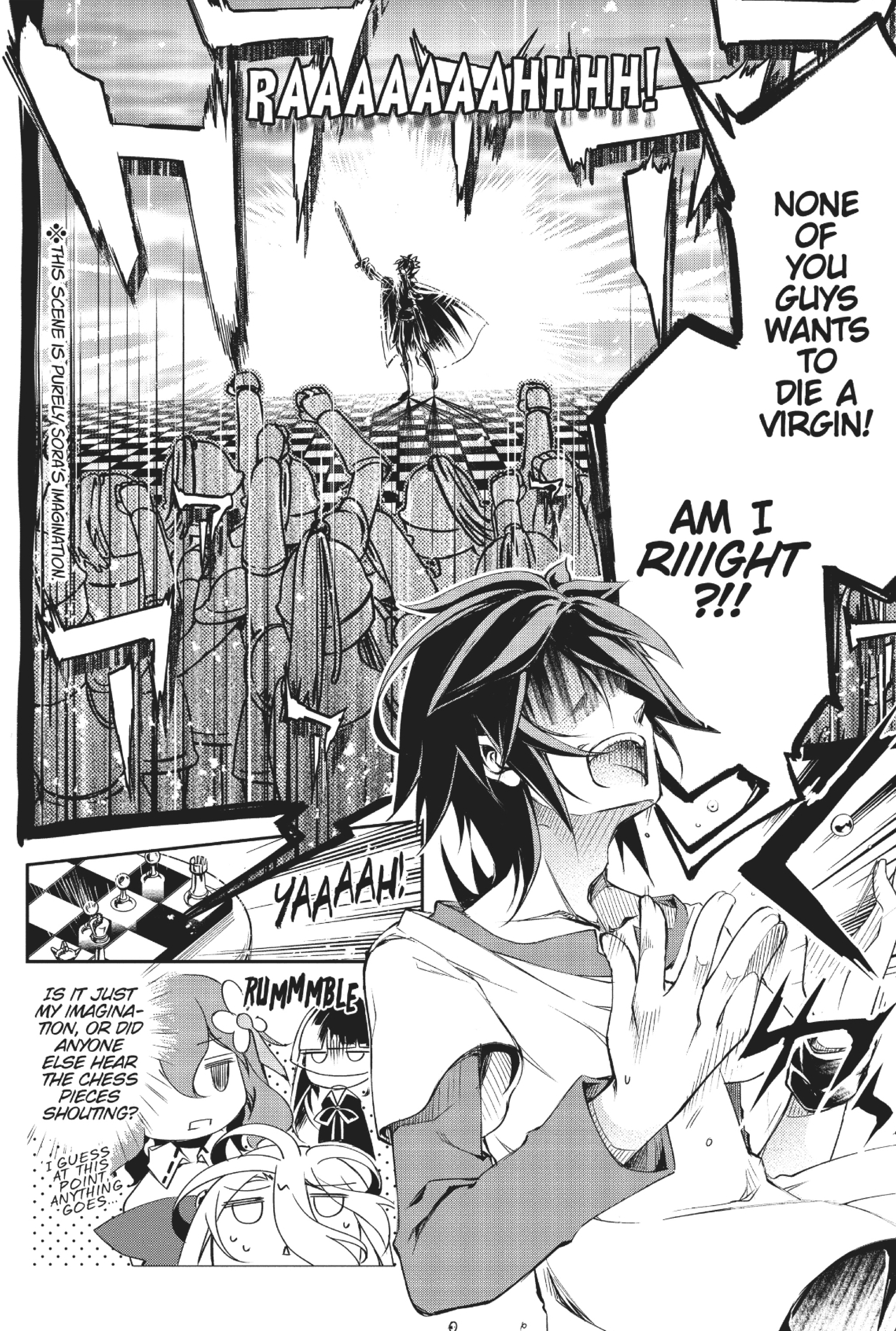
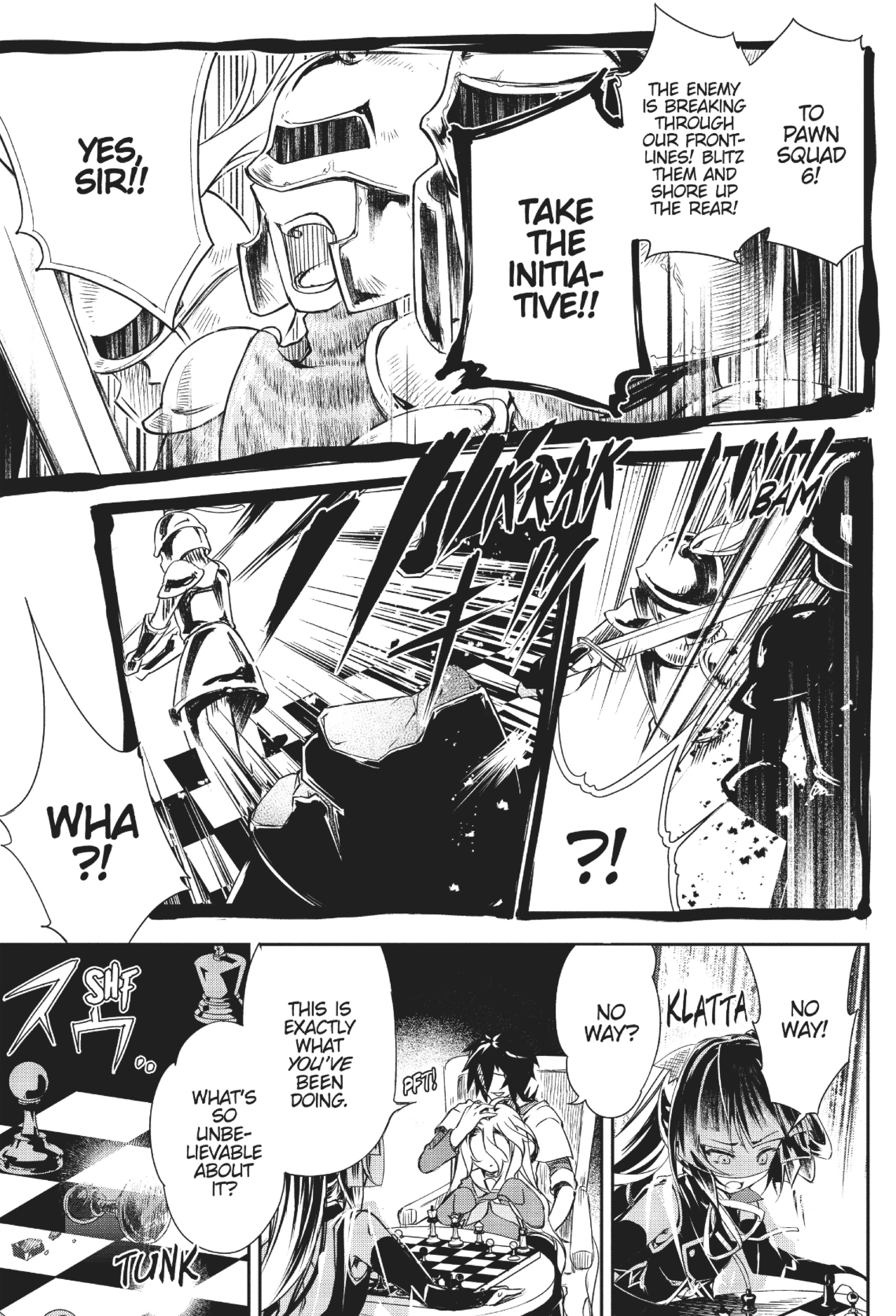
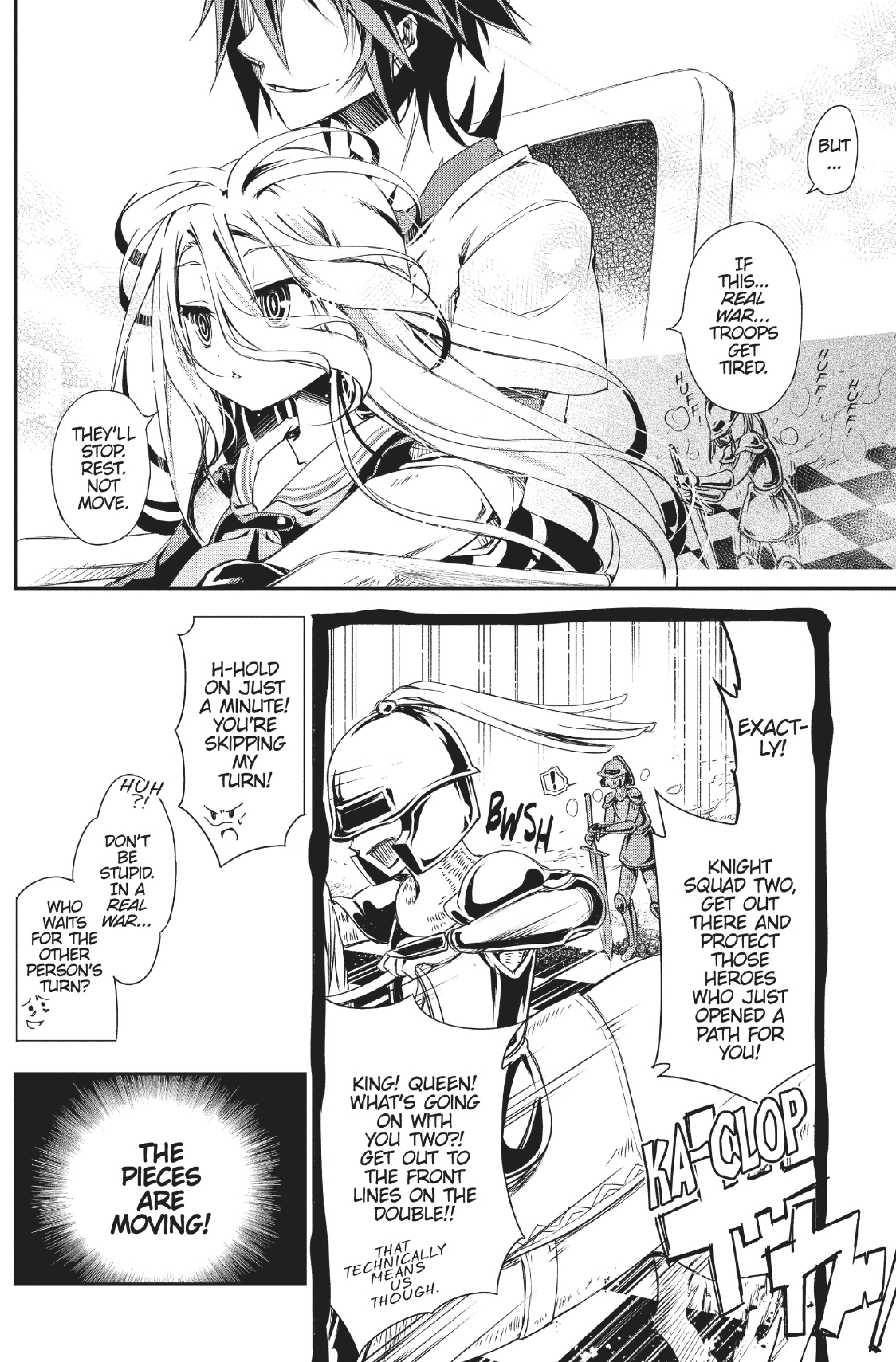
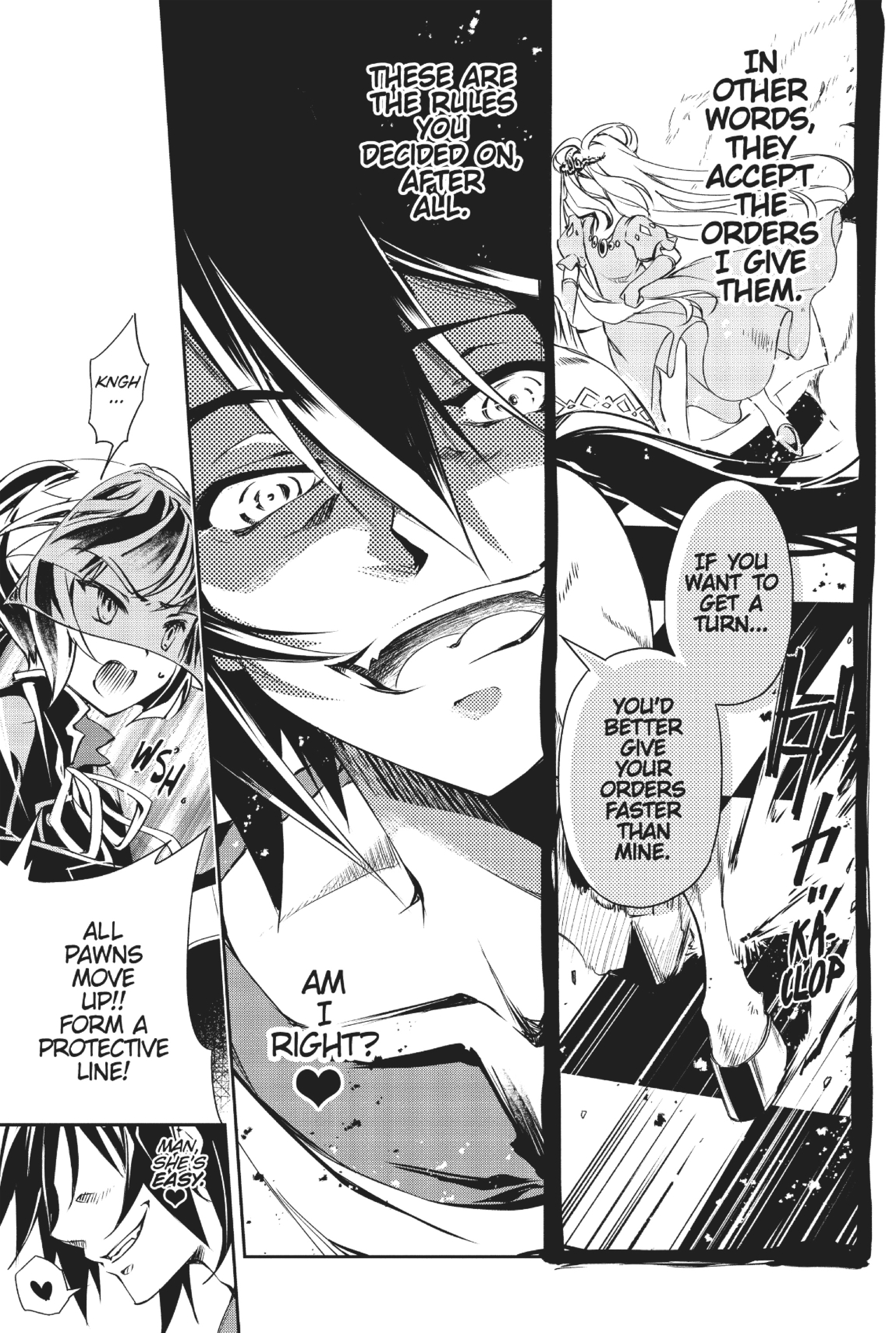
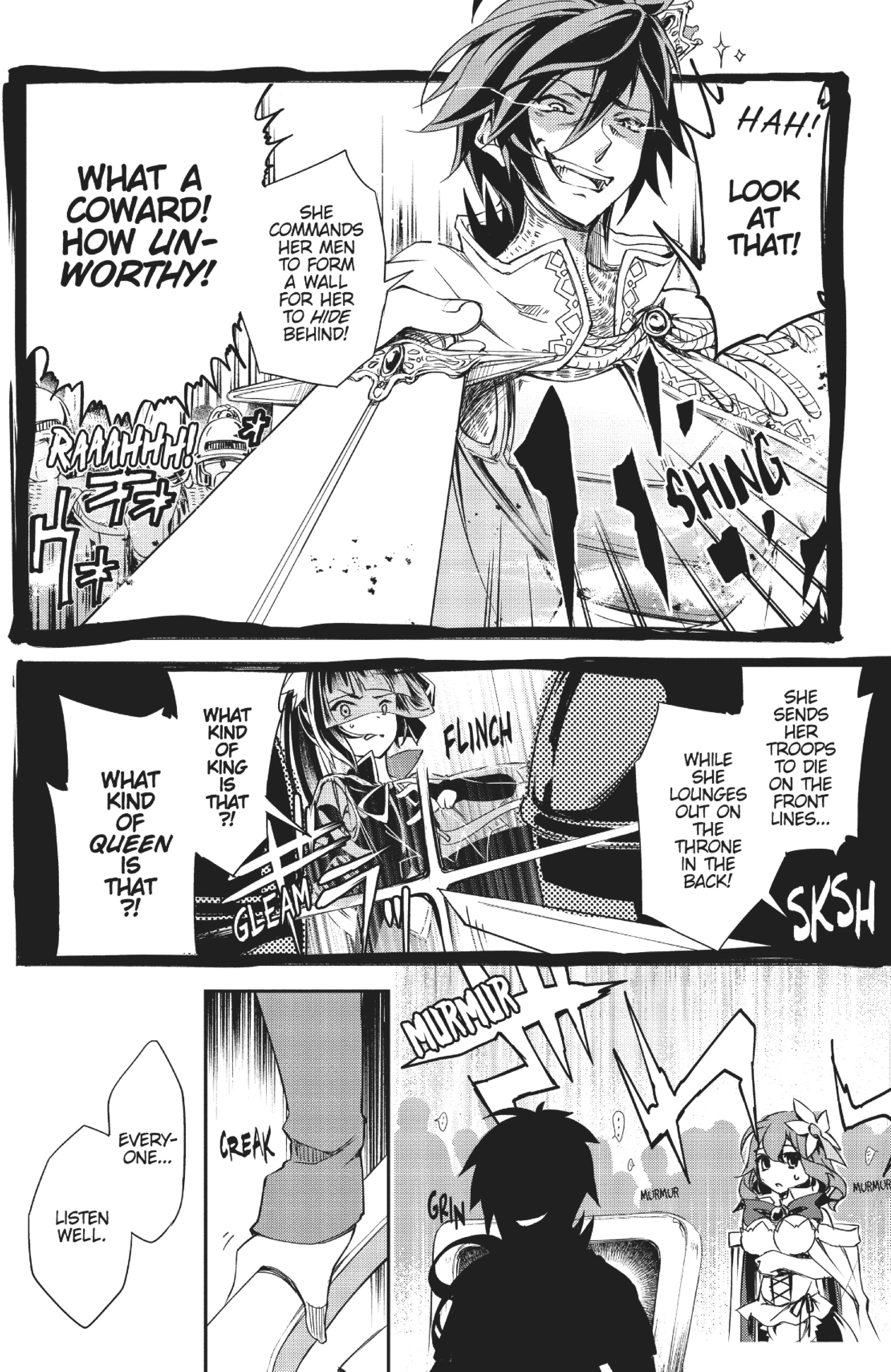
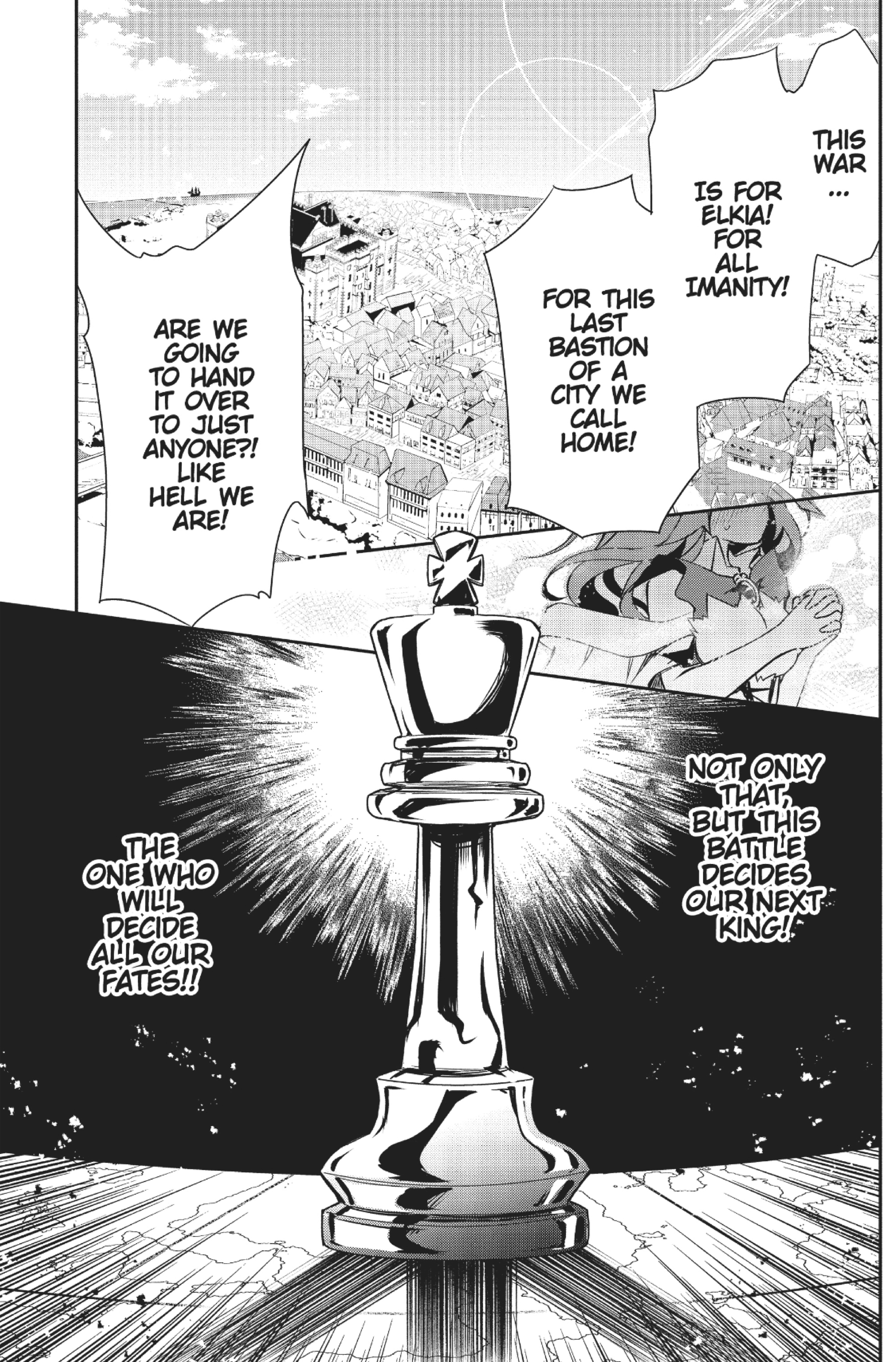

NONE OF YOU GUYS WANTS TO DIE A VIRGIN!
AM I RIIIGHT?!!
RAAAAAAAHHHH!
※THIS SCENE IS PURELY SORA'S IMAGINATION.
YAAAAH!
RUMMMBLE
IS IT JUST MY IMAGINATION, OR DID ANYONE ELSE HEAR THE CHESS PIECES SHOUTING?
I GUESS AT THIS POINT, ANYTHING GOES...

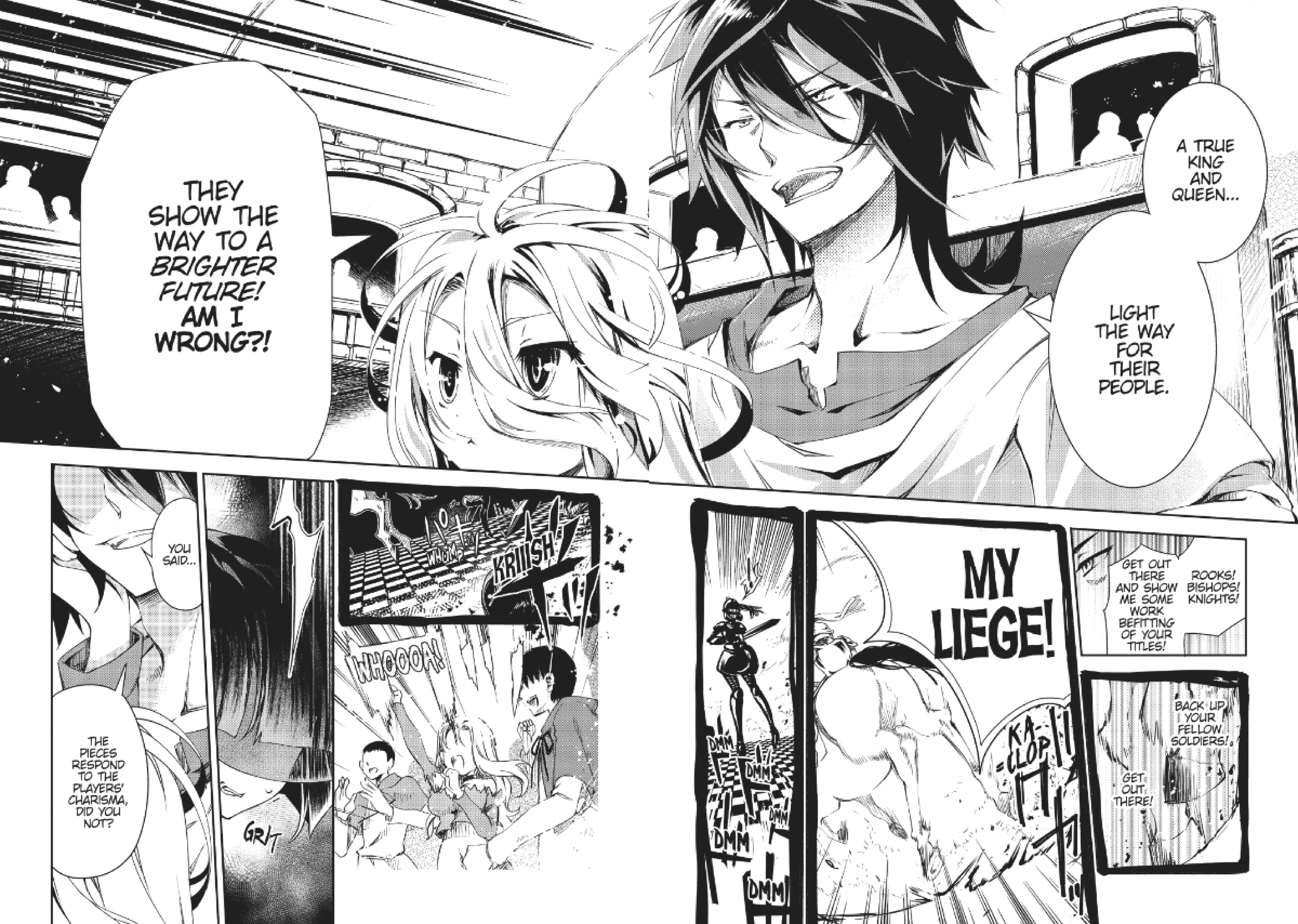

TO PAWN SQUAD 6!
THE ENEMY IS BREAKING THROUGH OUR FRONT-LINES! BLITZ THEM AND SHORE UP THE REAR!
TAKE THE INITIATIVE!!
YES, SIR!!
BAM
KRAK
?!
WHA ?!
NO WAY!
KLATTA
NO WAY?
PFFT!
THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT *YOU'VE* BEEN DOING.
WHAT'S SO UNBELIEVABLE ABOUT IT?
SHF
スウ。。
TUNK

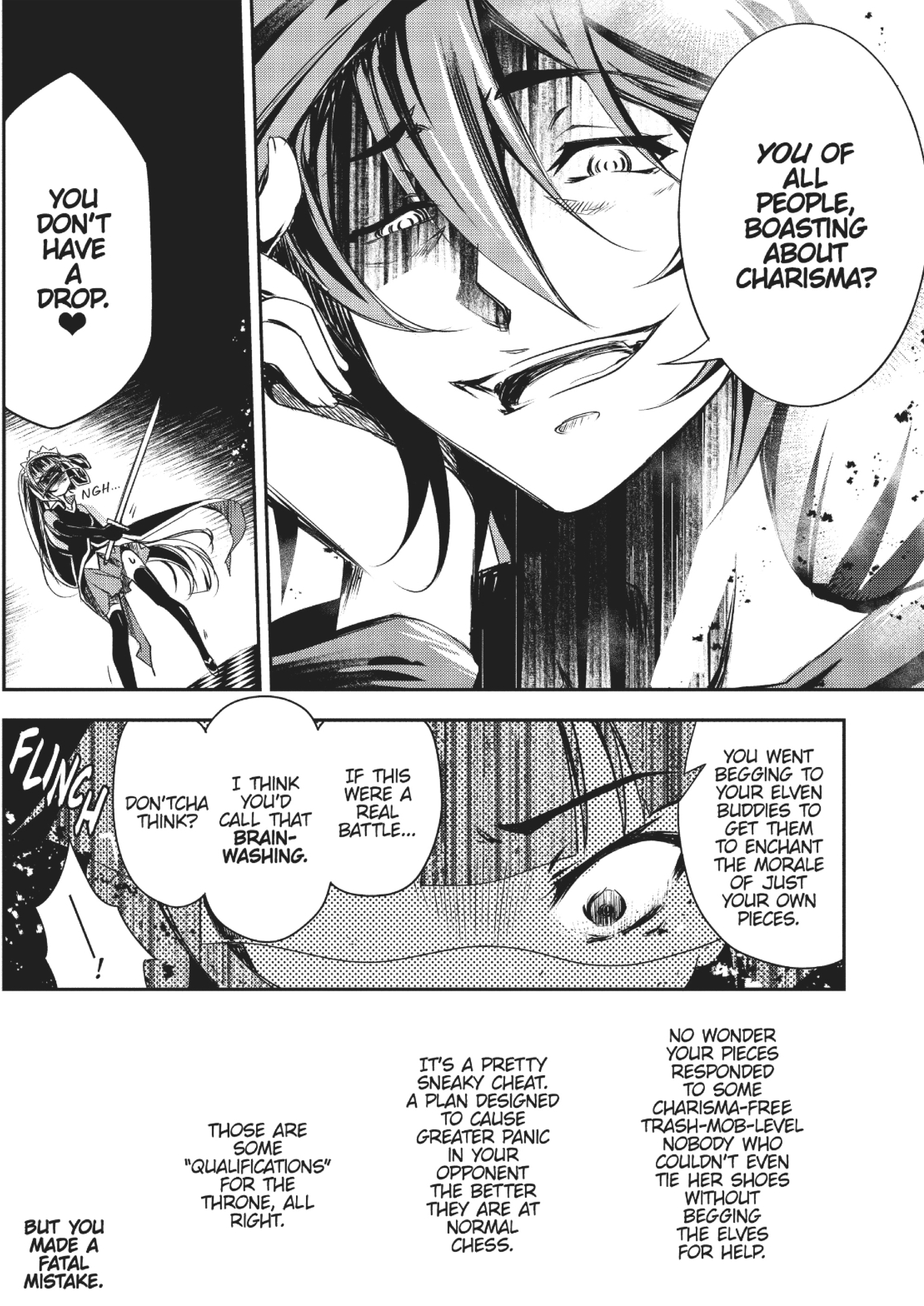

BUT ...
IF THIS... *REAL WAR*... TROOPS GET TIRED.
HUFF! HUFF! HUFF!
THEY'LL STOP. REST. NOT MOVE.
EXACTLY!
KNIGHT SQUAD TWO, GET OUT THERE AND PROTECT THOSE HEROES WHO JUST OPENED A PATH FOR YOU!
BWSH
!
KING! QUEEN! WHAT'S GOING ON WITH YOU TWO?! GET OUT TO THE FRONT LINES ON THE DOUBLE!!
THAT TECHNICALLY MEANS US THOUGH.
KA-CLOP
H-HOLD ON JUST A MINUTE! YOU'RE SKIPPING MY TURN!
HUH?!
DON'T BE STUPID. IN A *REAL WAR*... WHO WAITS FOR THE OTHER PERSON'S TURN?
THE PIECES ARE MOVING!

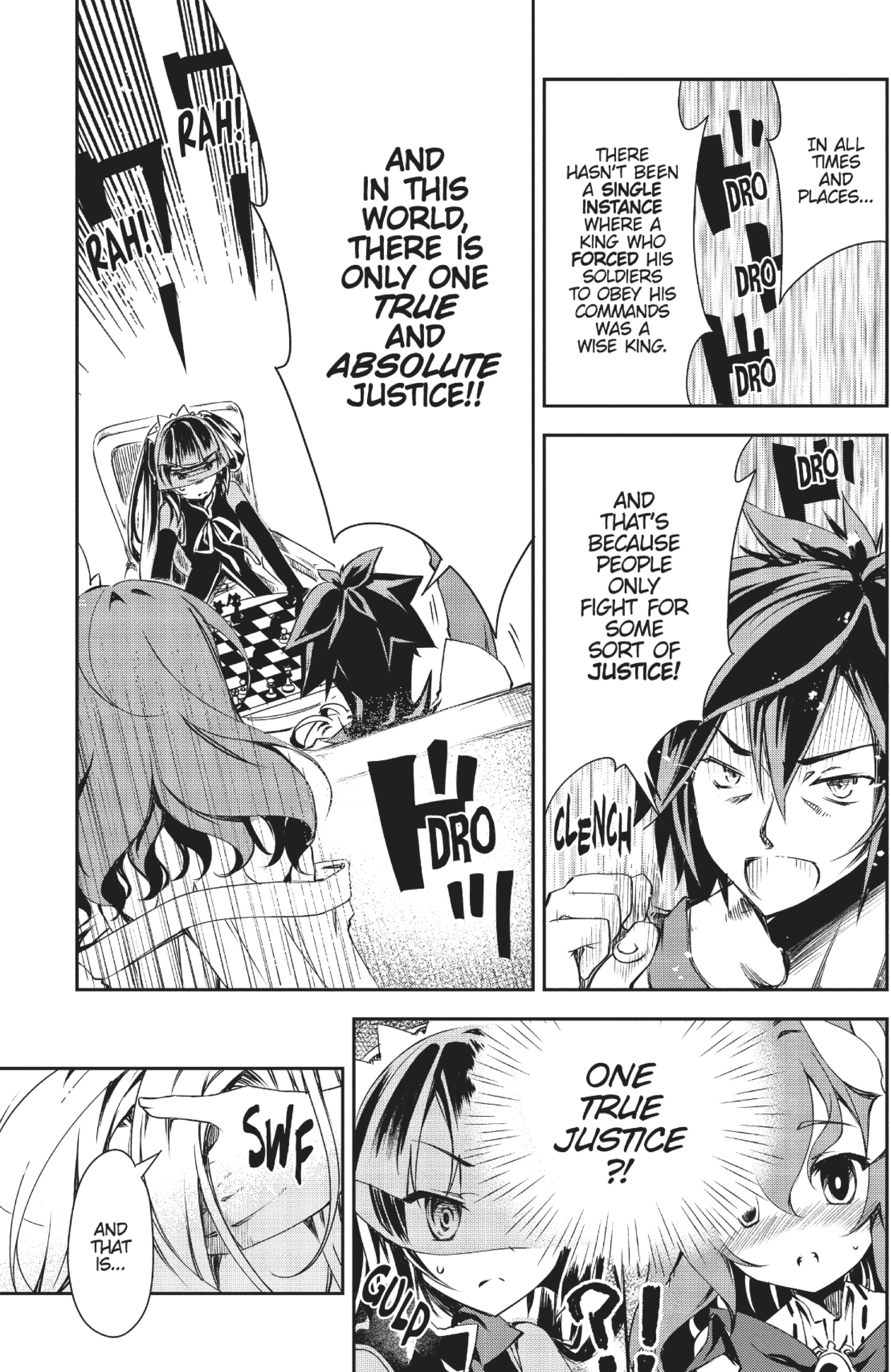

IN OTHER WORDS, THEY ACCEPT THE ORDERS I GIVE THEM.
THESE ARE THE RULES YOU DECIDED ON, AFTER ALL.
IF YOU WANT TO GET A TURN...
YOU'D BETTER GIVE YOUR ORDERS FASTER THAN MINE.
KA-CLOP
AM I RIGHT? ♥
KNGH...
WSH
ALL PAWNS MOVE UP!! FORM A PROTECTIVE LINE!
MAN, SHE'S EASY. ♥
♥

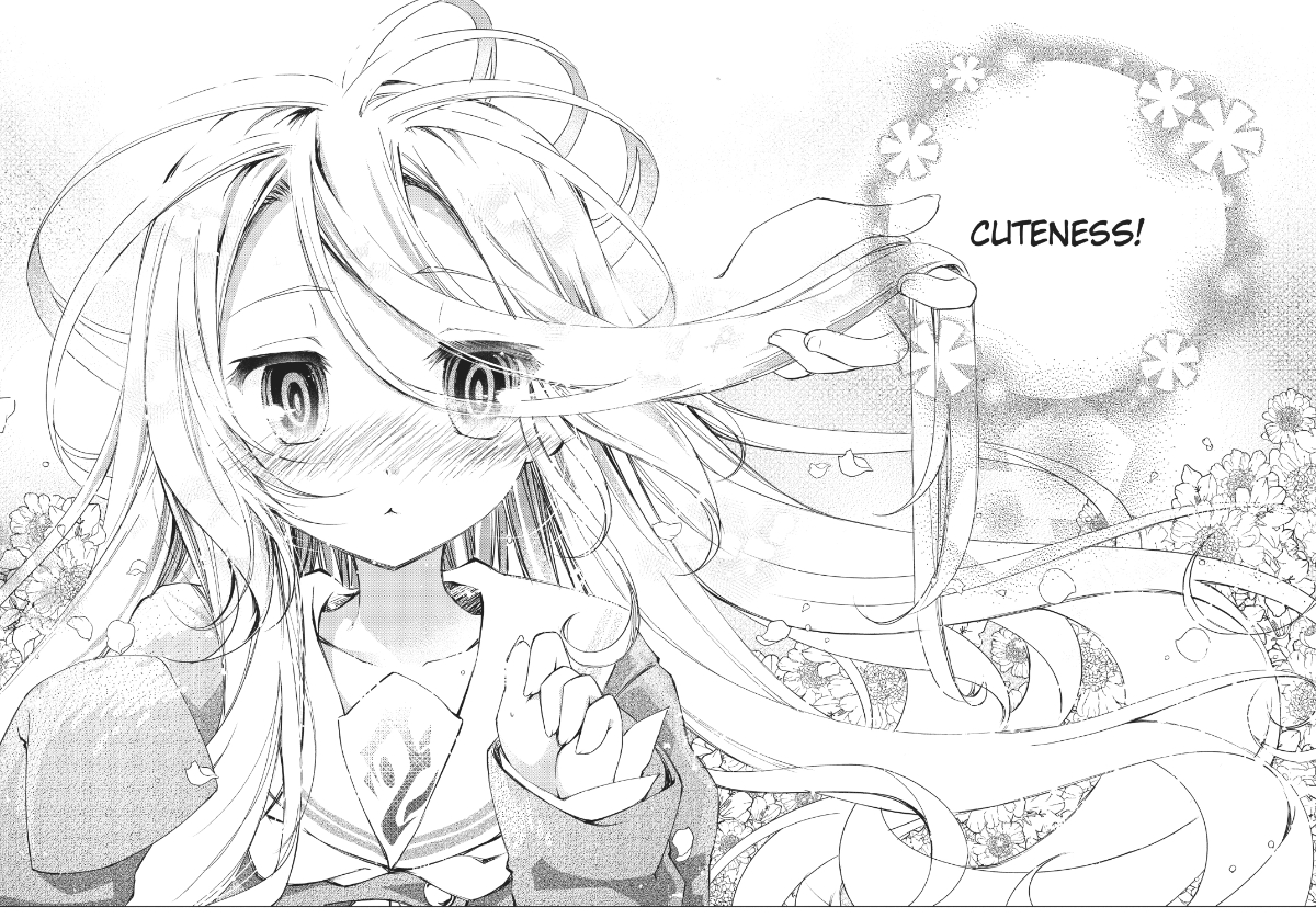

HAH!
LOOK AT THAT!
SHE COMMANDS HER MEN TO FORM A WALL FOR HER TO *HIDE* BEHIND!
WHAT A COWARD! HOW *UN-WORTHY!*
SHING
RAAAHHH!
SHE SENDS HER TROOPS TO DIE ON THE FRONT LINES...
WHILE SHE LOUNGES OUT ON THE THRONE IN THE BACK!
SKSH
FLINCH
WHAT KIND OF KING IS THAT?!
WHAT KIND OF *QUEEN* IS THAT?!
GLEAM
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
GRIN
CREAK
EVERY-ONE...
LISTEN WELL.

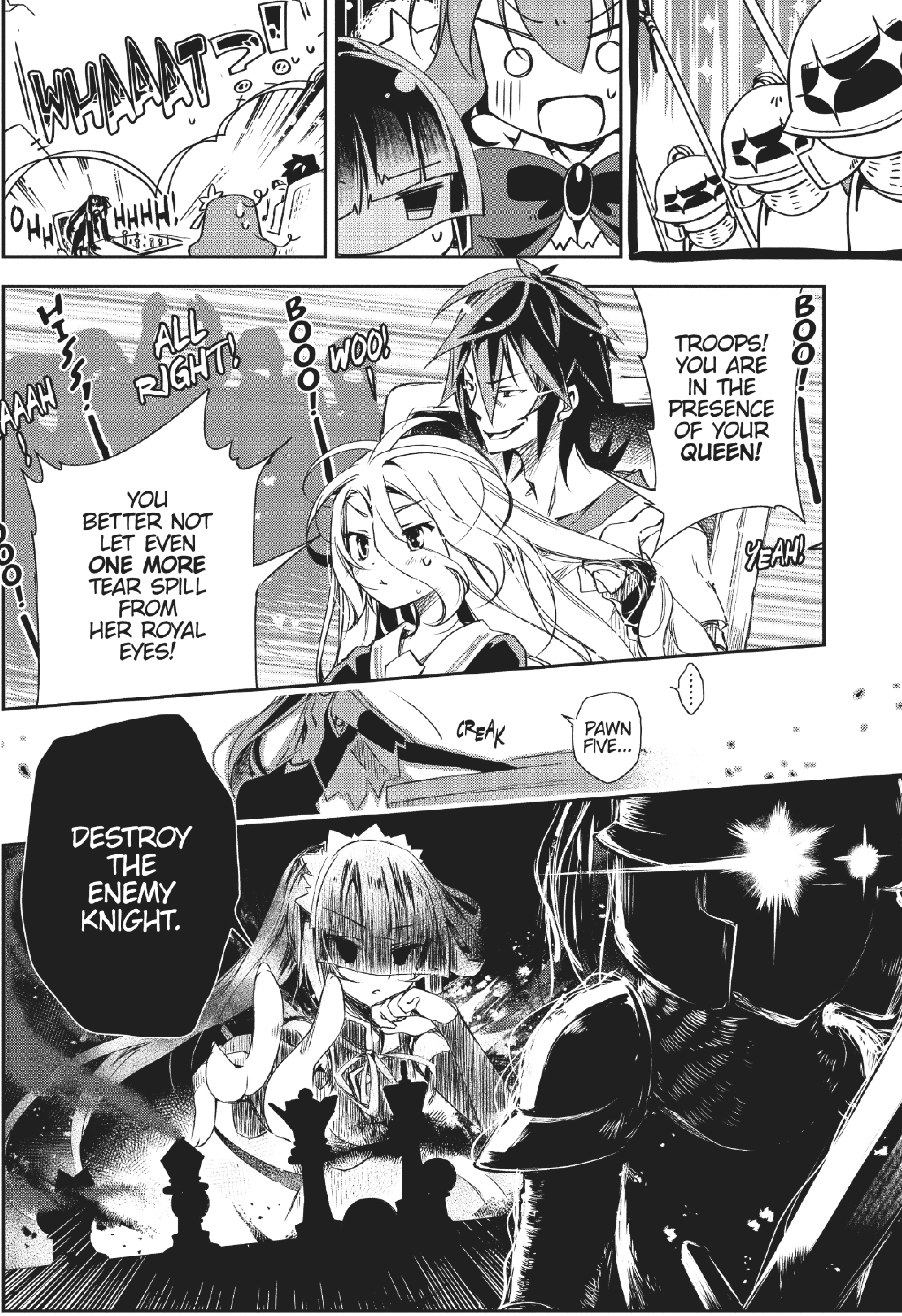

THIS WAR ...
IS FOR ELKIA! FOR ALL IMANITY!
FOR THIS LAST BASTION OF A CITY WE CALL HOME!
ARE WE GOING TO HAND IT OVER TO JUST ANYONE?! LIKE HELL WE ARE!
NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THIS BATTLE DECIDES OUR NEXT KING!
THE ONE WHO WILL DECIDE ALL OUR FATES!!


A TRUE KING AND QUEEN...
LIGHT THE WAY FOR THEIR PEOPLE.
THEY SHOW THE WAY TO A *BRIGHTER FUTURE!* AM I WRONG?!
ROOKS! BISHOPS! KNIGHTS!
GET OUT THERE AND SHOW ME SOME WORK BEFITTING OF YOUR TITLES!
BACK UP YOUR FELLOW SOLDIERS!
GET OUT THERE!
MY LIEGE!
KA-CLOP
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
KRIIISH!
WHOMP
WHOOOA!
YOU SAID...
THE PIECES RESPOND TO THE PLAYERS' CHARISMA, DID YOU NOT?
GRIT


YOU OF ALL PEOPLE, BOASTING ABOUT CHARISMA?
YOU DON'T HAVE A DROP. ❤
NGH...
YOU WENT BEGGING TO YOUR ELVEN BUDDIES TO GET THEM TO ENCHANT THE MORALE OF JUST YOUR OWN PIECES.
IF THIS WERE A REAL BATTLE...
I THINK YOU'D CALL THAT **BRAINWASHING.**
DON'TCHA THINK?
FLINCH
—!
NO WONDER YOUR PIECES RESPONDED TO SOME CHARISMA-FREE TRASH-MOB-LEVEL NOBODY WHO COULDN'T EVEN TIE HER SHOES WITHOUT BEGGING THE ELVES FOR HELP.
IT'S A PRETTY SNEAKY CHEAT. A PLAN DESIGNED TO CAUSE GREATER PANIC IN YOUR OPPONENT THE BETTER THEY ARE AT NORMAL CHESS.
THOSE ARE SOME "QUALIFICATIONS" FOR THE THRONE, ALL RIGHT.
BUT YOU MADE A FATAL MISTAKE.

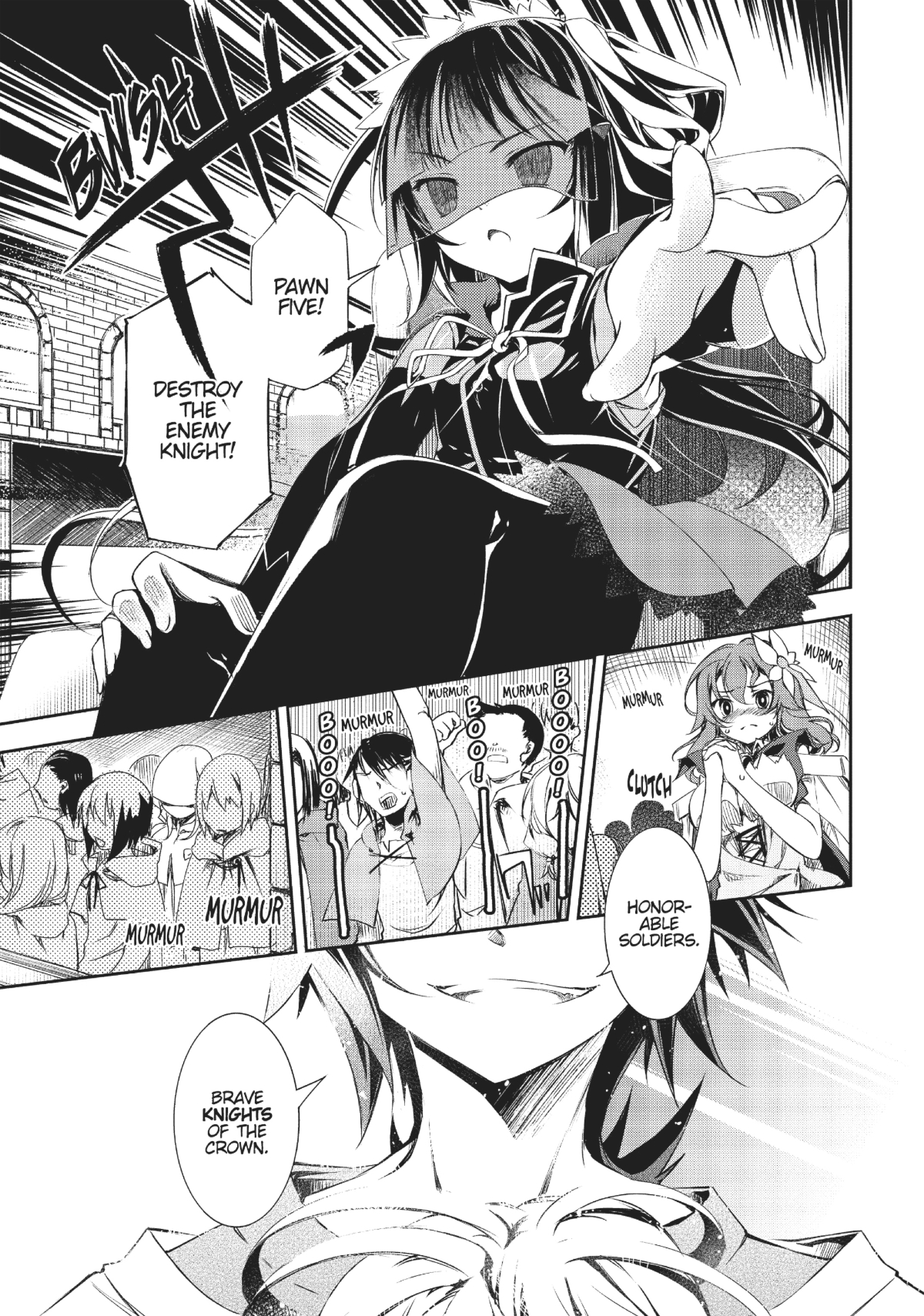

IN ALL TIMES AND PLACES...
THERE HASN'T BEEN A SINGLE INSTANCE WHERE A KING WHO FORCED HIS SOLDIERS TO OBEY HIS COMMANDS WAS A WISE KING.
DRO
DRO
DRO
DRO
AND THAT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE ONLY FIGHT FOR SOME SORT OF JUSTICE!
CLENCH
RAH!
RAH!
AND IN THIS WORLD, THERE IS ONLY ONE *TRUE* AND *ABSOLUTE* JUSTICE!!
DRO
ONE TRUE JUSTICE ?!
?!
GULP
SWF
AND THAT IS...


CUTENESS!


WHAAAAT?!
OHHHHHHH!
TROOPS! YOU ARE IN THE PRESENCE OF YOUR QUEEN!
BOO!
YOU BETTER NOT LET EVEN ONE MORE TEAR SPILL FROM HER ROYAL EYES!
WOO!
BOOO!
ALL RIGHT!
HISS!
YEAAAH!
BOOOO!
YEAH!
…
PAWN FIVE…
CREAK
DESTROY THE ENEMY KNIGHT.

No
Game
No
Life

No
Game
No
Life


BWSHH
PAWN FIVE!
DESTROY THE ENEMY KNIGHT!
MURMUR
MURMUR
CLUTCH
BOOOOO!
MURMUR
BOOO!
MURMUR
BOOO!
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
HONORABLE SOLDIERS.
BRAVE KNIGHTS OF THE CROWN.

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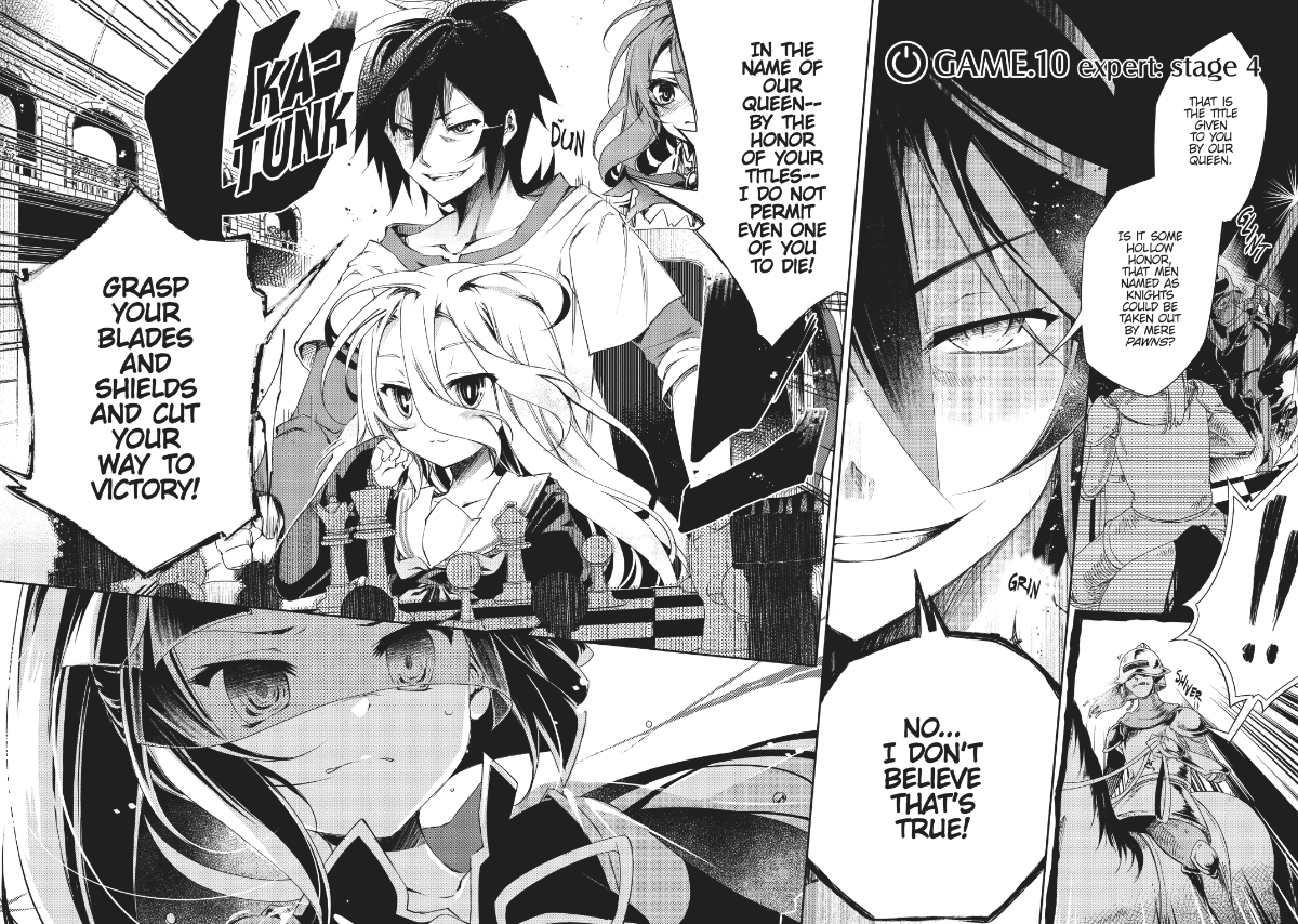
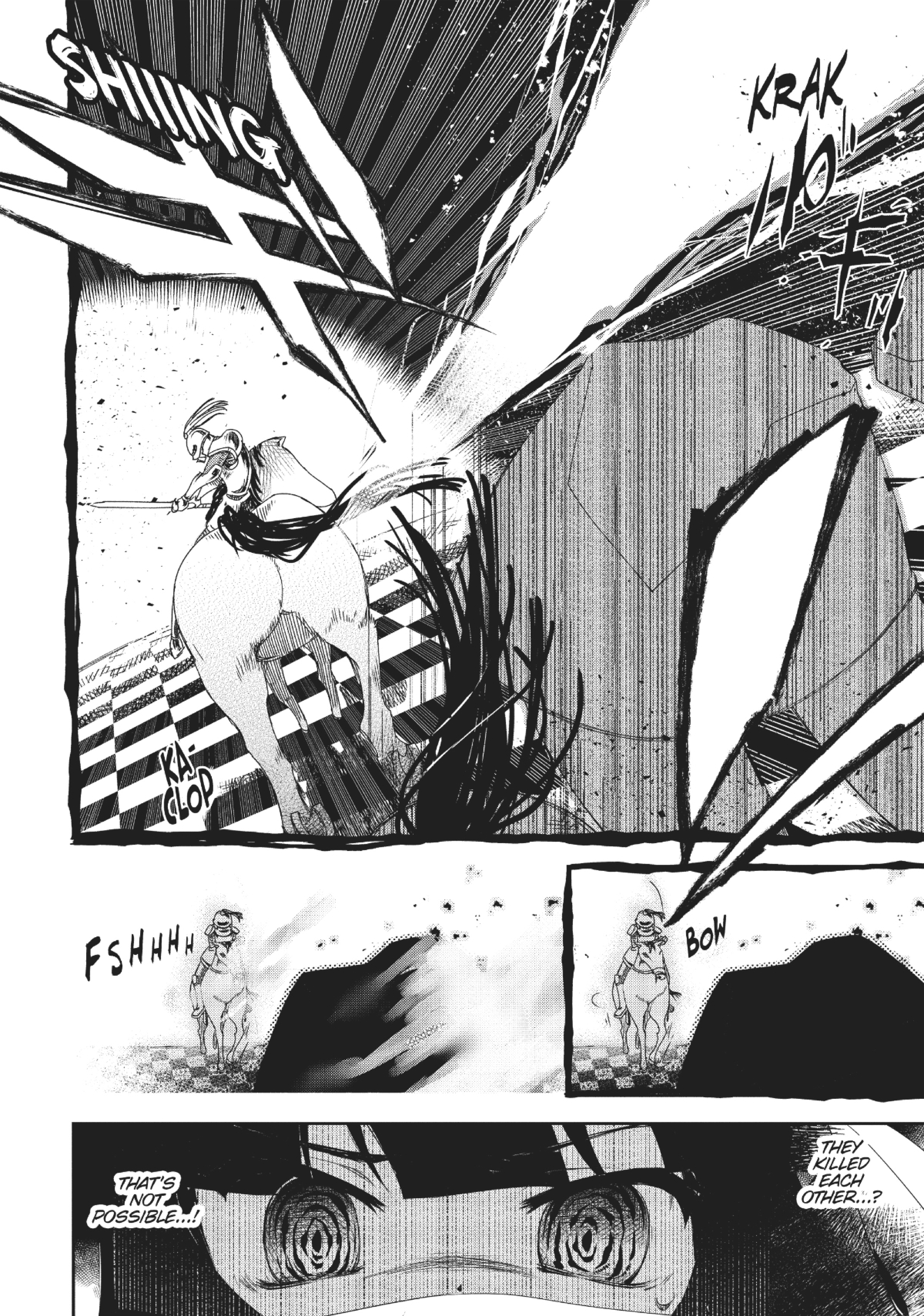
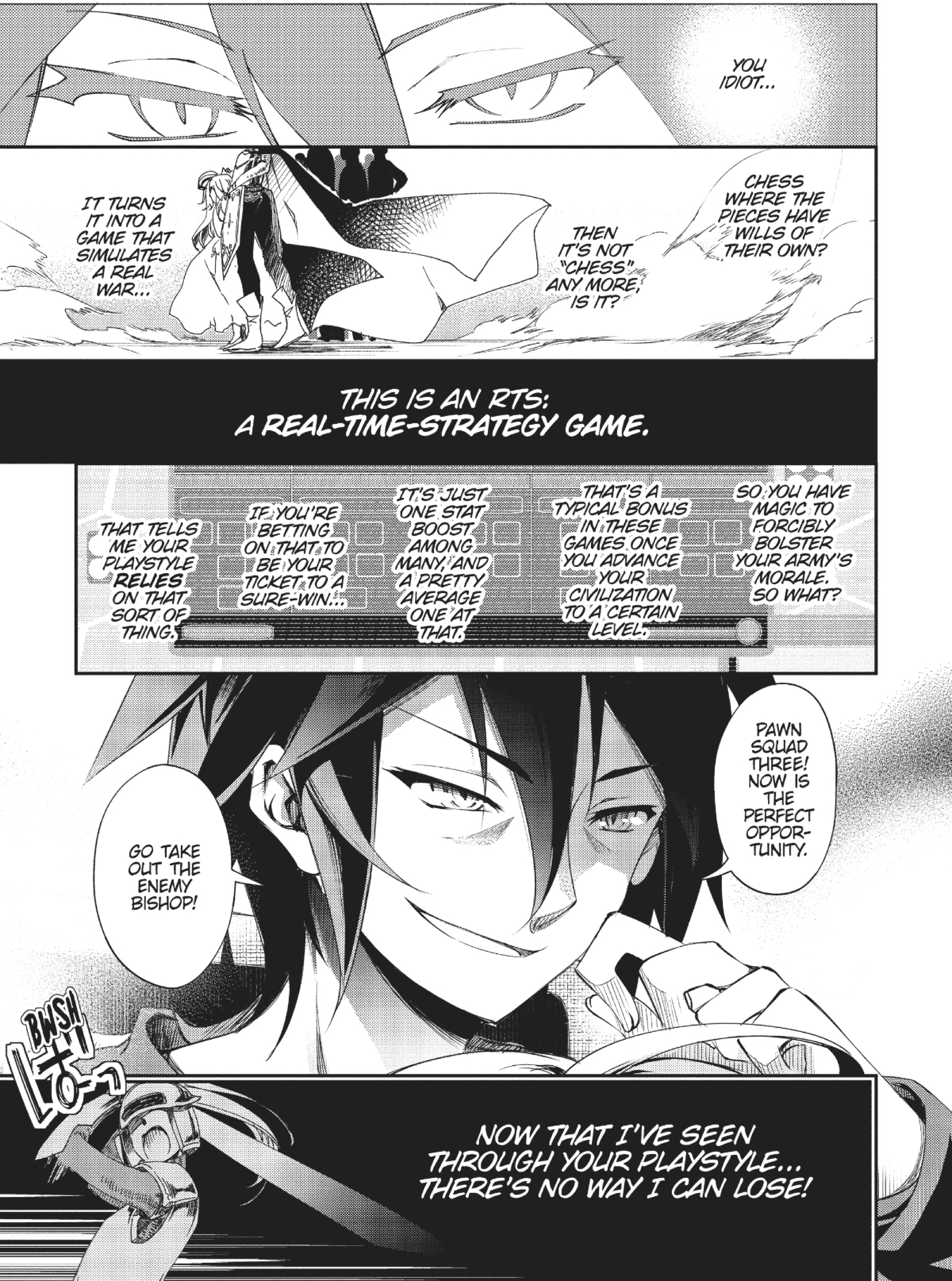
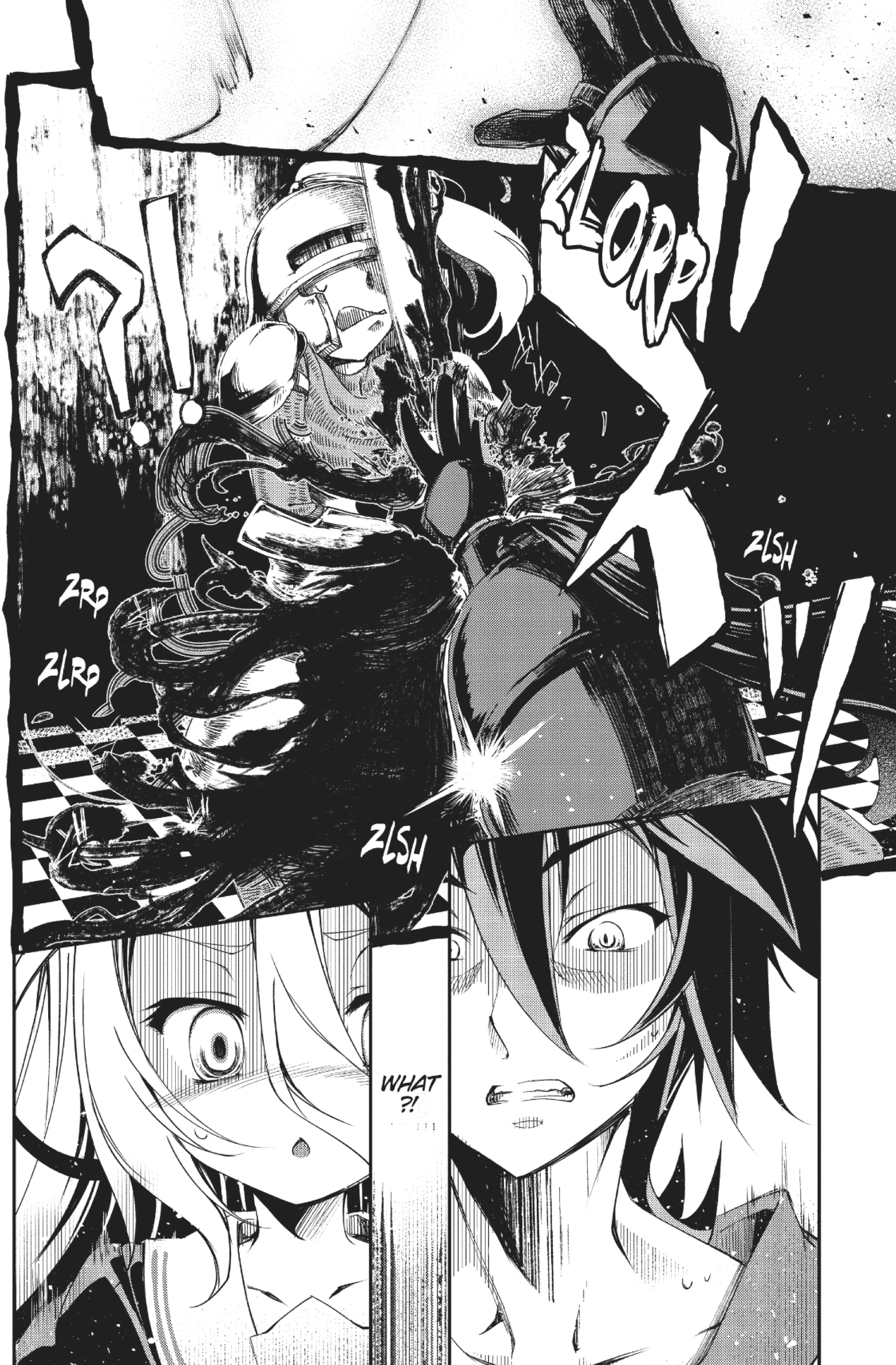
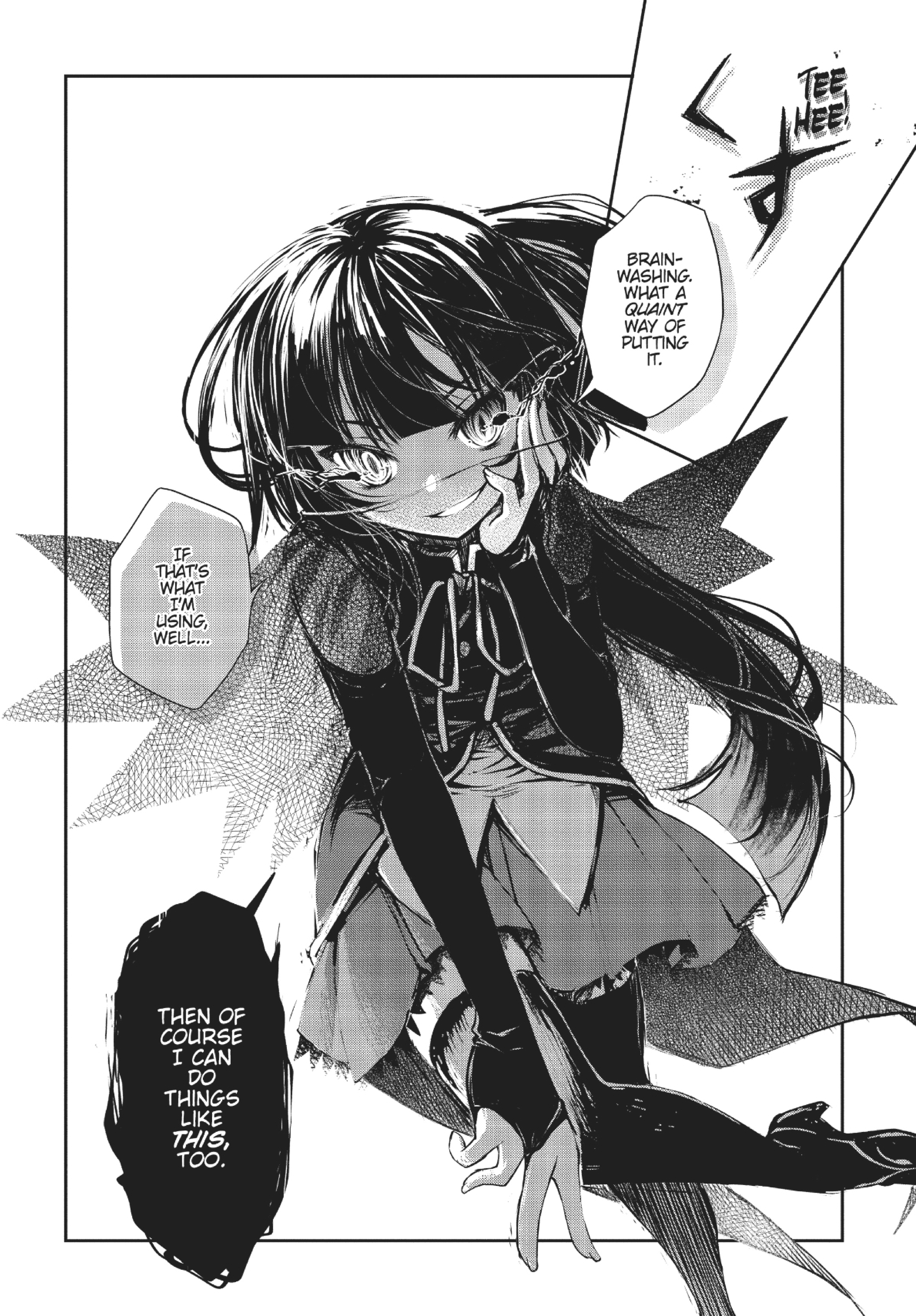

THAT IS THE TITLE GIVEN TO YOU BY OUR QUEEN.
IS IT SOME HOLLOW HONOR, THAT MEN NAMED AS KNIGHTS COULD BE TAKEN OUT BY MERE *PAWNS*?
GLINT
GRIN
!!
SHIVER
NO... I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S TRUE!
IN THE NAME OF OUR QUEEN-- BY THE HONOR OF YOUR TITLES-- I DO NOT PERMIT EVEN ONE OF YOU TO DIE!
DUN
KA-TUNK
GRASP YOUR BLADES AND SHIELDS AND CUT YOUR WAY TO VICTORY!


KRAK
SHIIIING
KA-CLOP
BOW
FSHHHH
THEY KILLED EACH OTHER...?
THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE...!


YOU IDIOT...
CHESS WHERE THE PIECES HAVE WILLS OF THEIR OWN?
THEN IT'S NOT "CHESS" ANY MORE, IS IT?
IT TURNS IT INTO A GAME THAT SIMULATES A REAL WAR...
THIS IS AN RTS: A REAL-TIME-STRATEGY GAME.
SO YOU HAVE MAGIC TO FORCIBLY BOLSTER YOUR ARMY'S MORALE. SO WHAT?
THAT'S A TYPICAL BONUS IN THESE GAMES ONCE YOU ADVANCE YOUR CIVILIZATION TO A CERTAIN LEVEL.
IT'S JUST ONE STAT BOOST AMONG MANY, AND A PRETTY AVERAGE ONE AT THAT.
IF YOU'RE BETTING ON THAT TO BE YOUR TICKET TO A SURE-WIN...
THAT TELLS ME YOUR PLAYSTYLE **RELIES** ON THAT SORT OF THING.
PAWN SQUAD THREE! NOW IS THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY.
GO TAKE OUT THE ENEMY BISHOP!
BWSH
NOW THAT I'VE SEEN THROUGH YOUR PLAYSTYLE... THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LOSE!


ZLORP!!
?!
ZLSH
ZRP
ZLRP
ZLSH
WHAT ?!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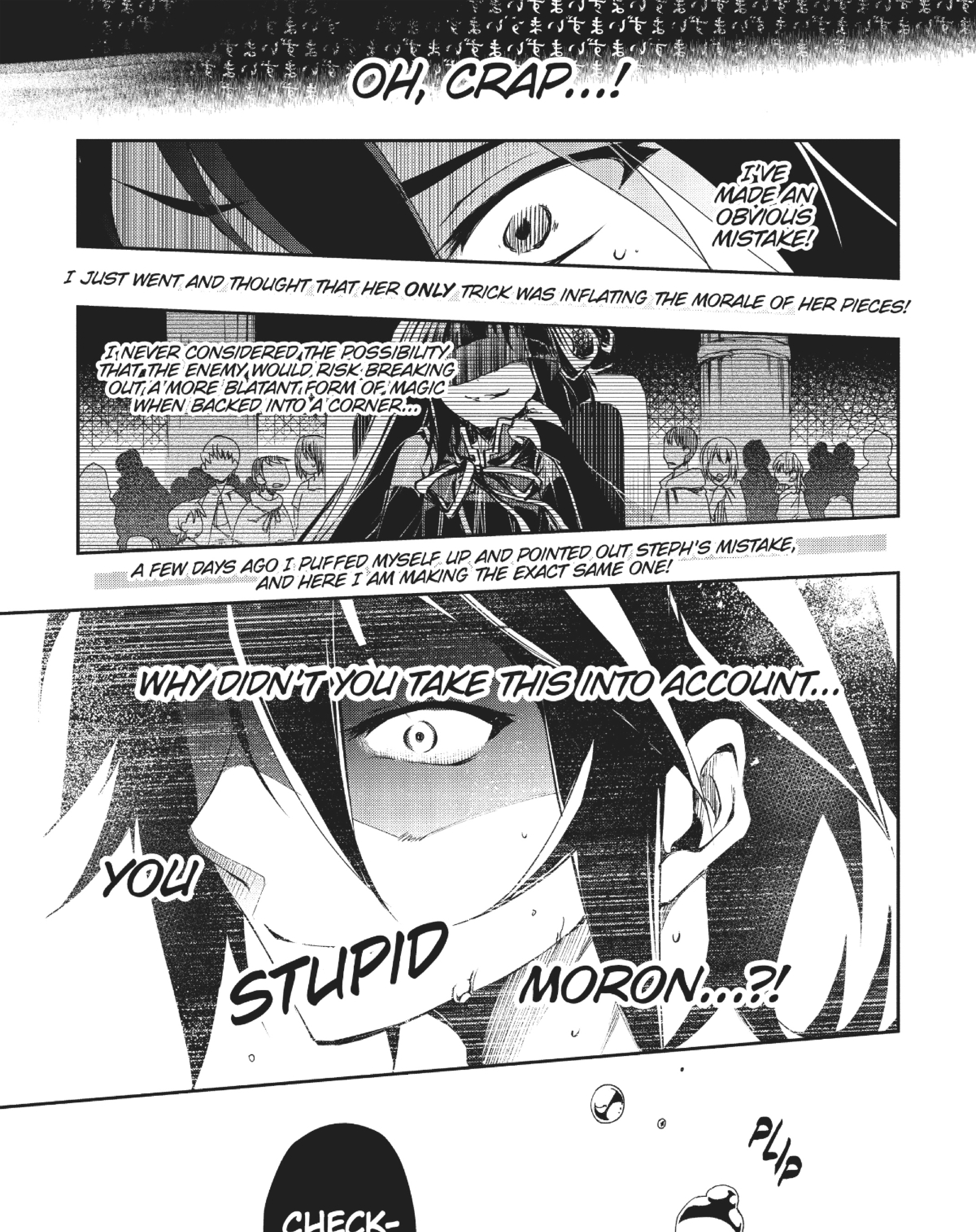
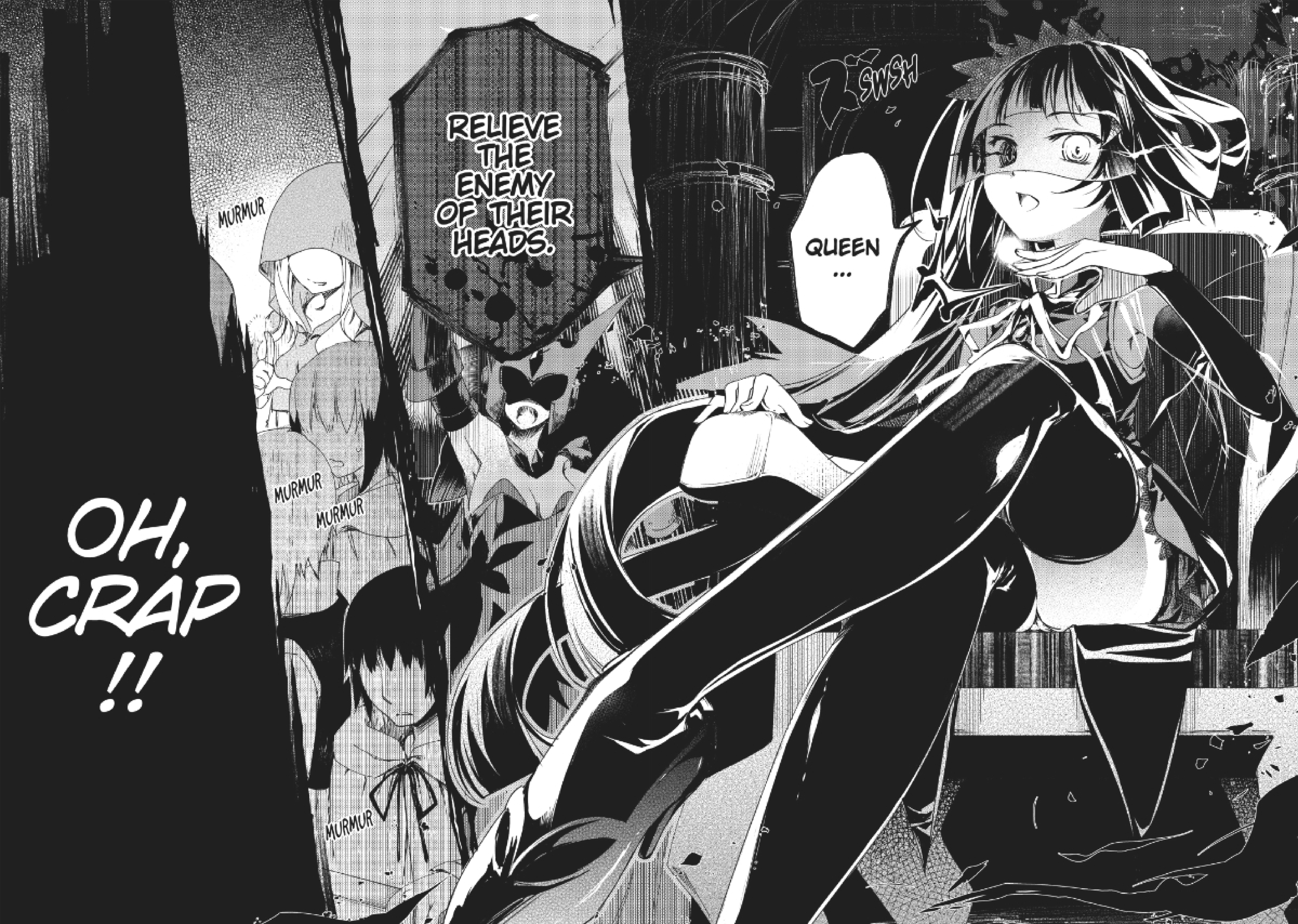
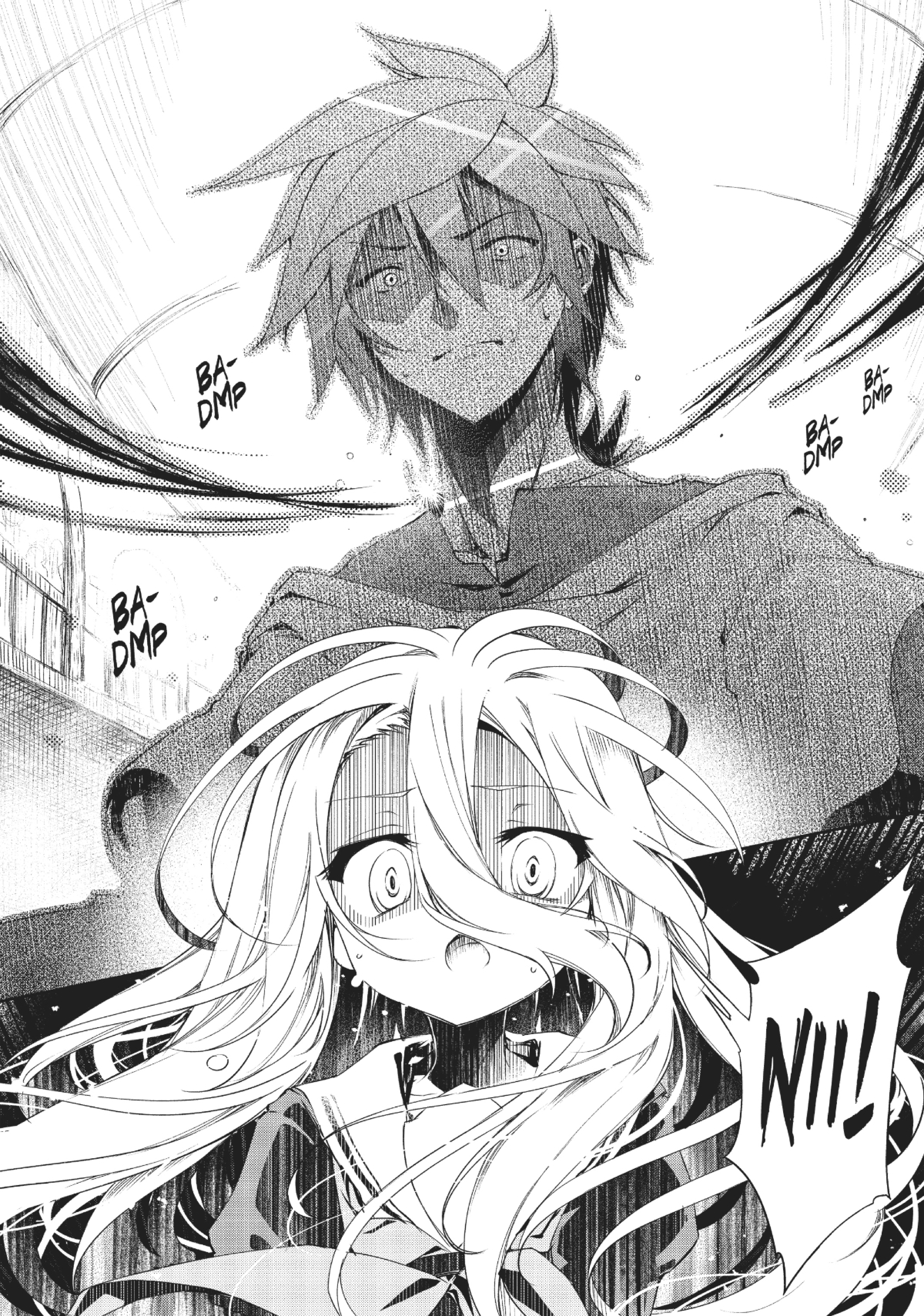
TEE HEE!
BRAIN-WASHING. WHAT A *QUAINT* WAY OF PUTTING IT.
IF THAT'S WHAT I'M USING, WELL...
THEN OF COURSE I CAN DO THINGS LIKE *THIS,* TOO.

SHUDDER
SHE'S BRAINWASHING OUR PIECES!!
!
FWIF
..
!
ZLORP
GLEAM
OOO
OOOO
MURMUR
MURMUR
ROOO...


OH, CRAP...!
I'VE MADE AN OBVIOUS MISTAKE!
I JUST WENT AND THOUGHT THAT HER ONLY TRICK WAS INFLATING THE MORALE OF HER PIECES!
I NEVER CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE ENEMY WOULD RISK BREAKING OUT A MORE BLATANT FORM OF MAGIC WHEN BACKED INTO A CORNER...
A FEW DAYS AGO I PUFFED MYSELF UP AND POINTED OUT STEPH'S MISTAKE, AND HERE I AM MAKING THE EXACT SAME ONE!
WHY DIDN'T YOU TAKE THIS INTO ACCOUNT...
YOU STUPID MORON...?!
PLIP
CHECK-MATE.

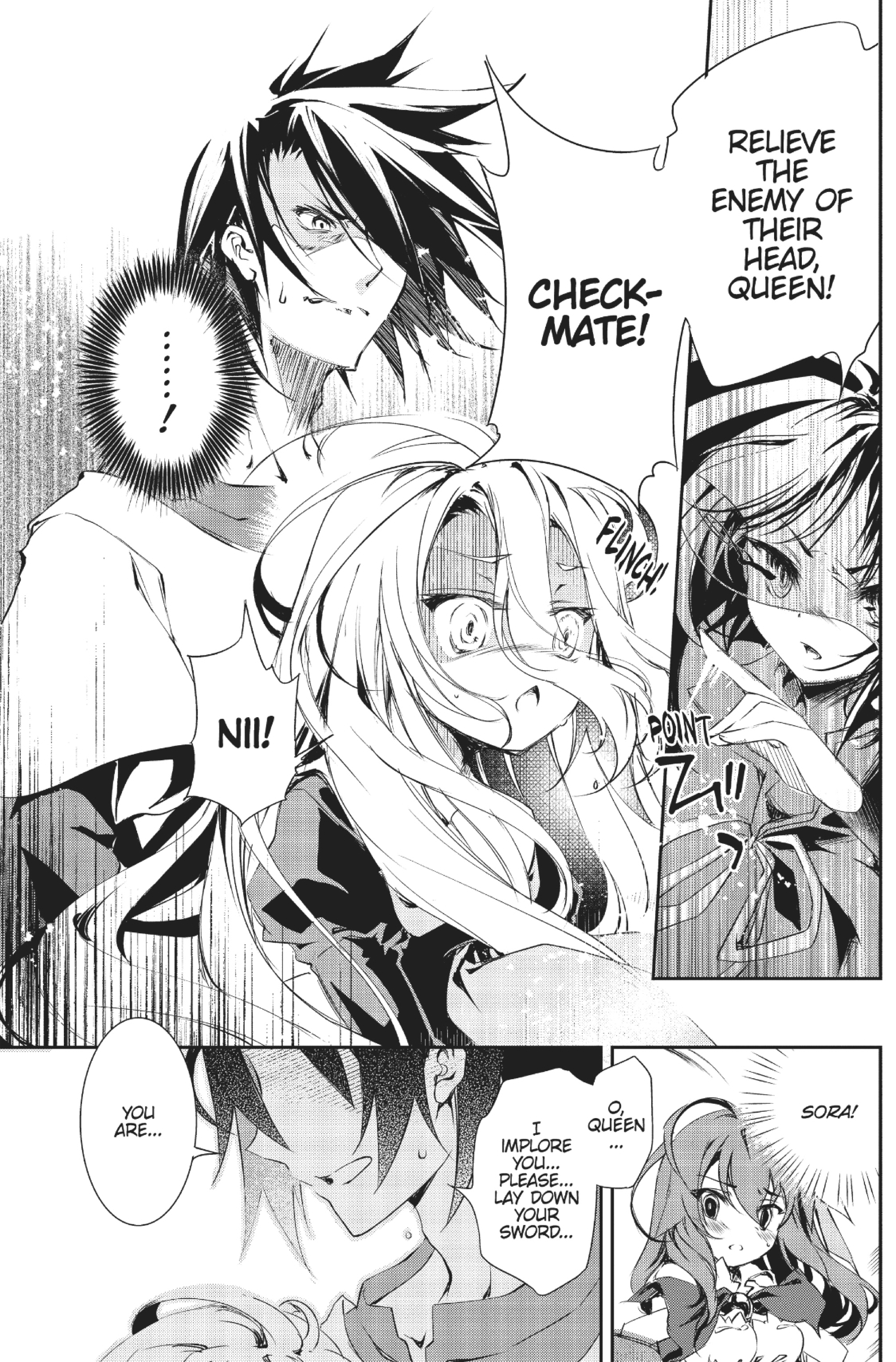

SWSH
QUEEN ...
RELIEVE THE ENEMY OF THEIR HEADS.
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
OH, CRAP!!

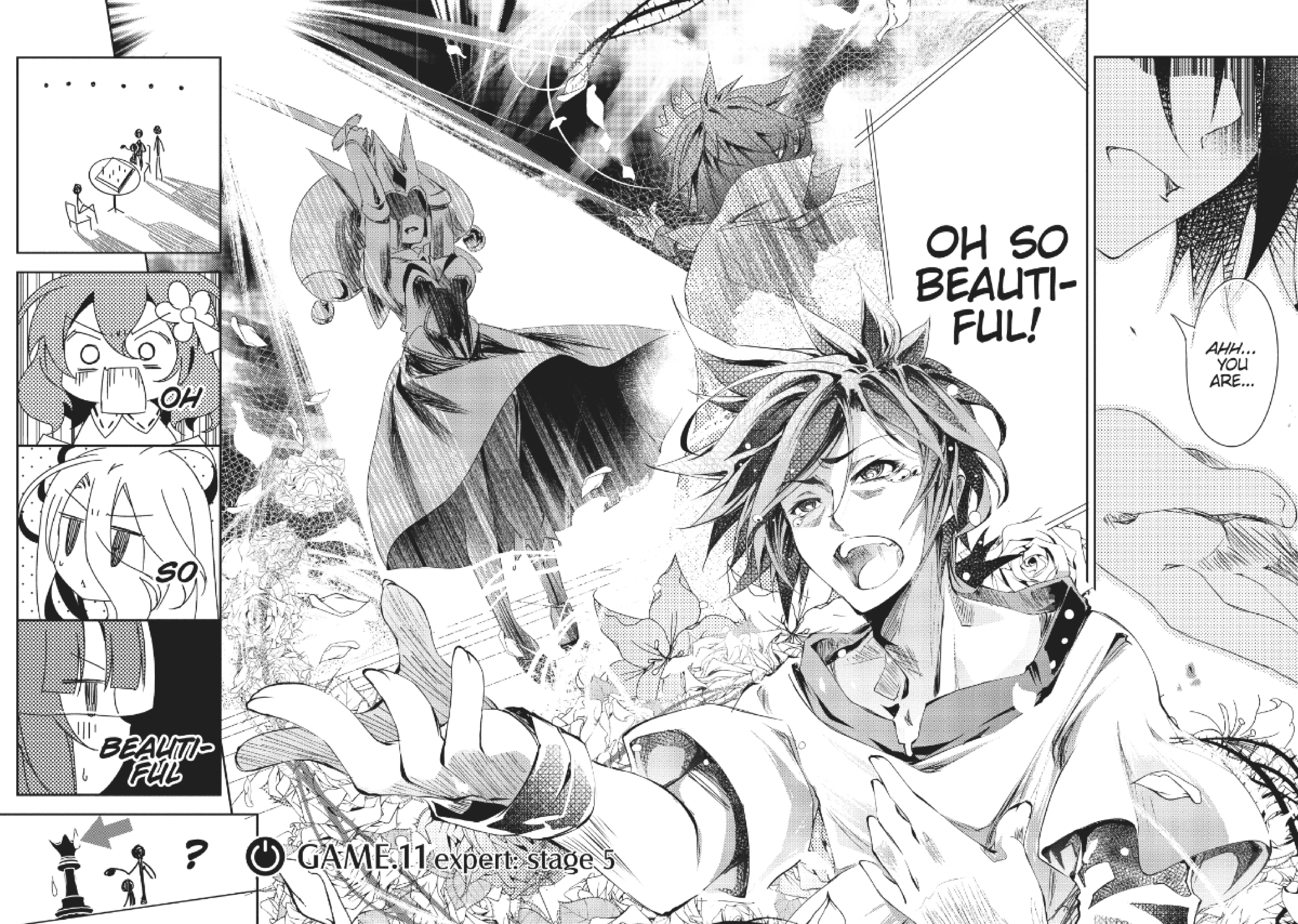

BA-DMP
BA-DMP
BA-DMP
BA-DMP
NII!

No
Game
No
Life

No
Game

No
Life


RELIEVE THE ENEMY OF THEIR HEAD, QUEEN!
CHECK-MATE!
……!
FLINCH!
POINT
ズッ
NII!
SORA!
O, QUEEN…
I IMPLORE YOU... PLEASE... LAY DOWN YOUR SWORD...
YOU ARE...


AHH... YOU ARE...
OH SO BEAUTIFUL!
. . . . . .
OH
SO
BEAUTIFUL
?

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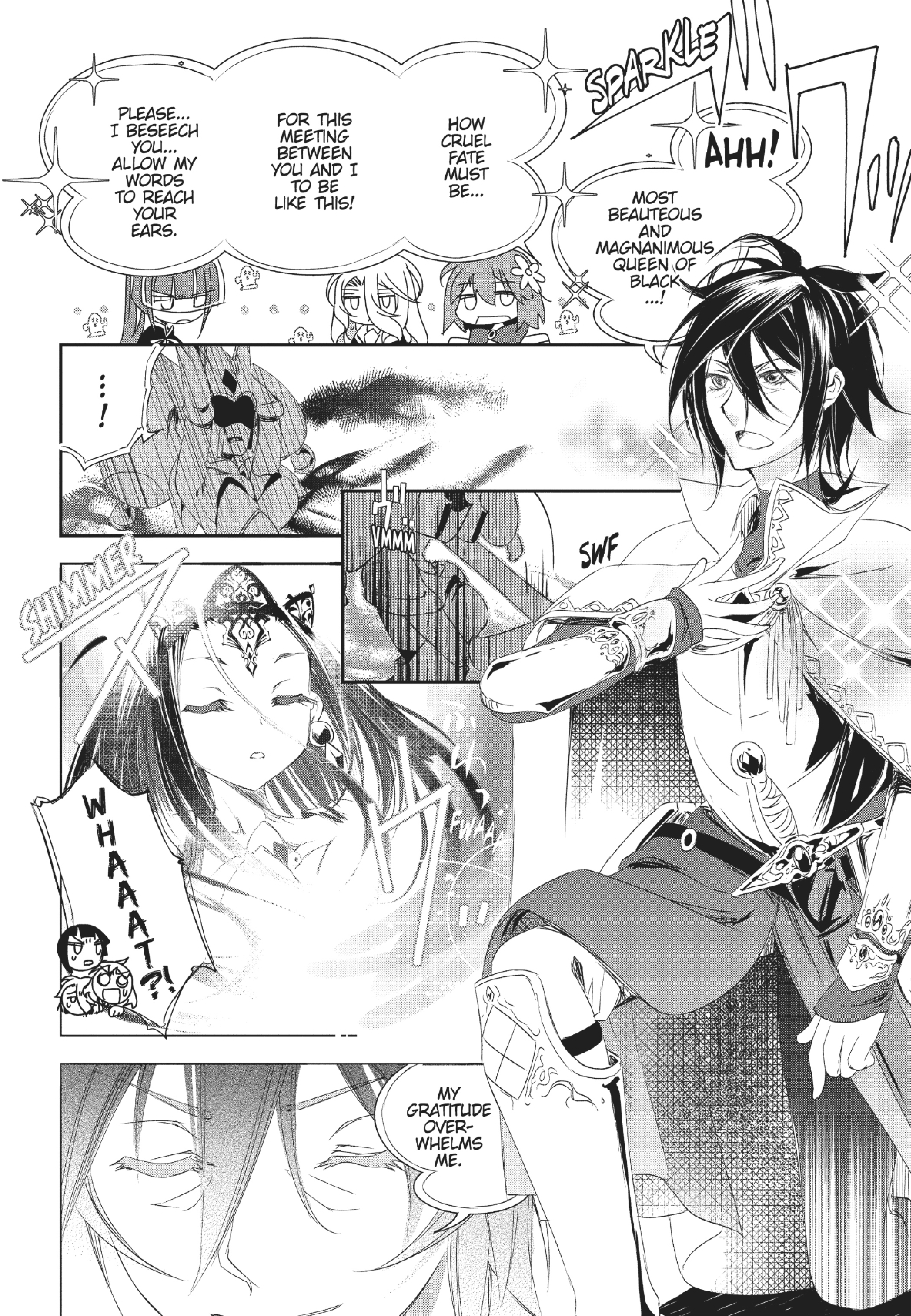
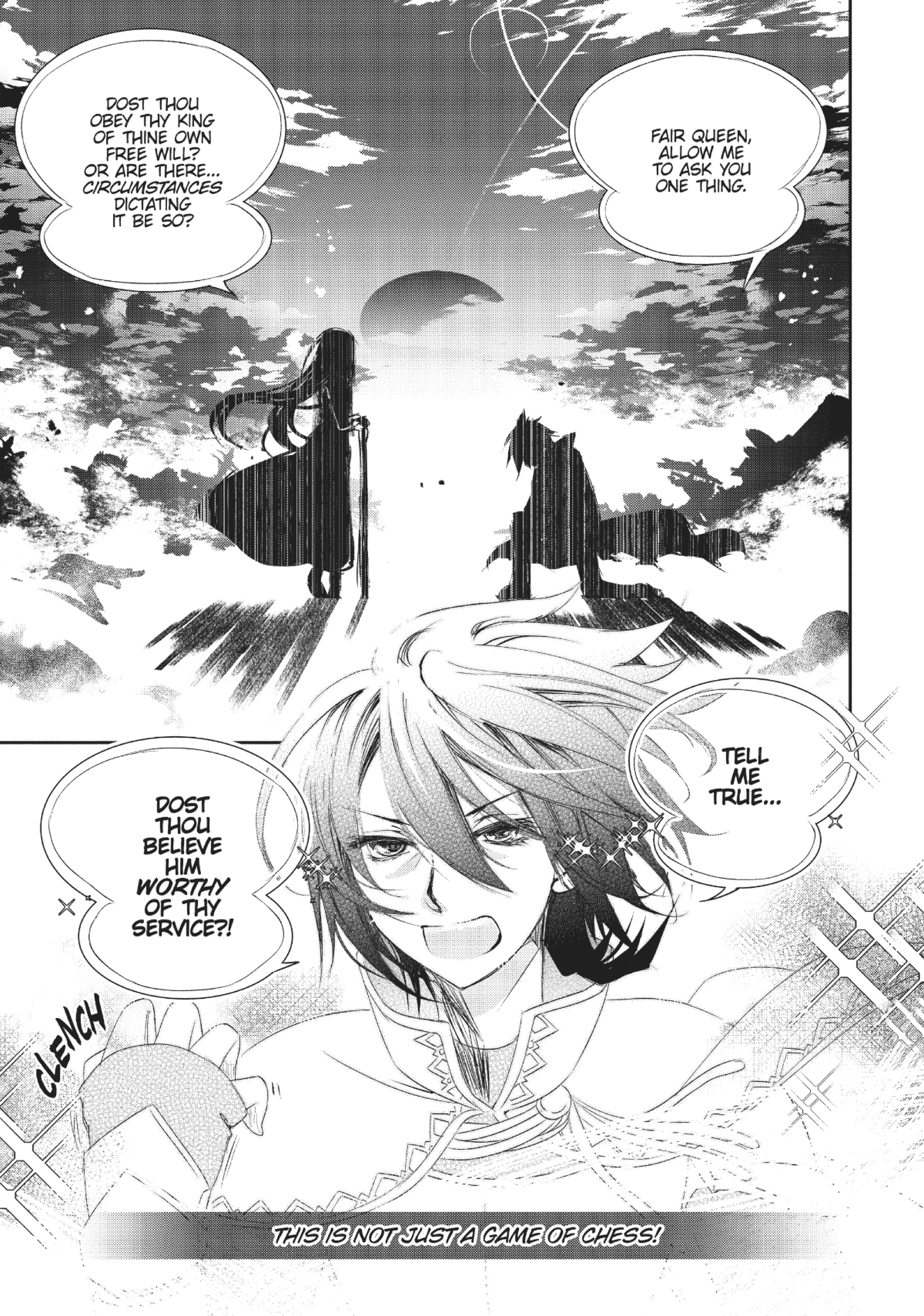
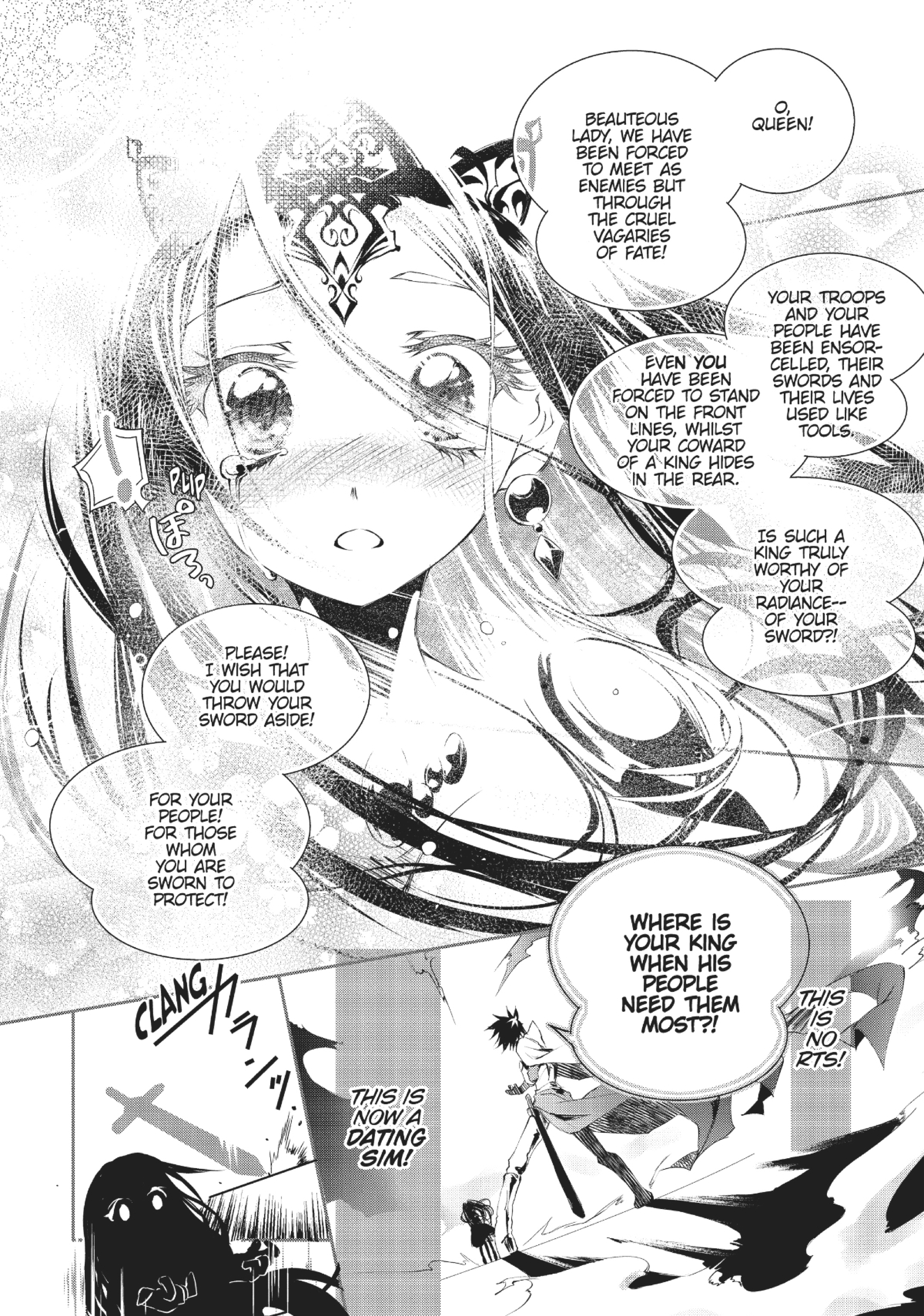
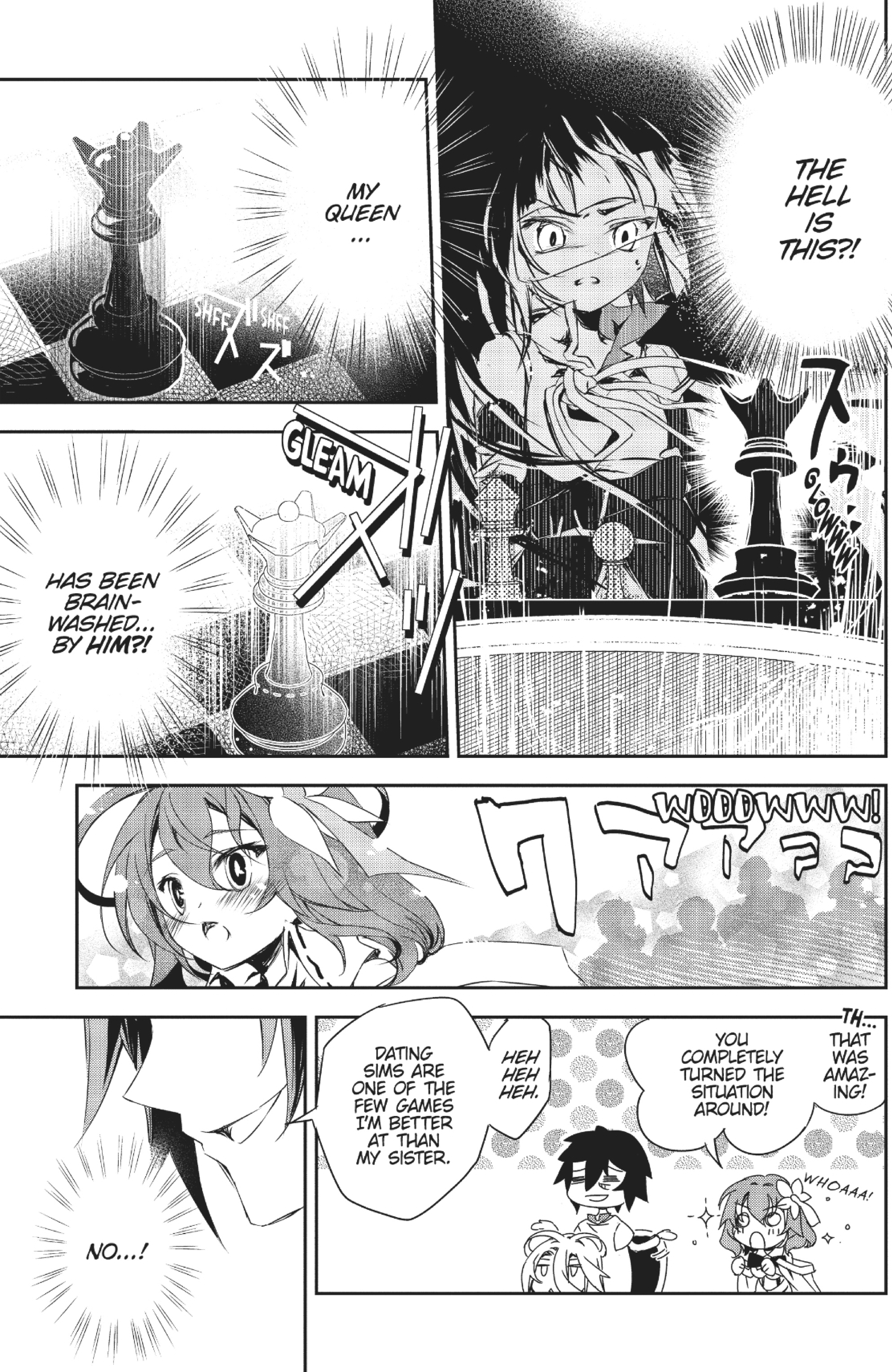
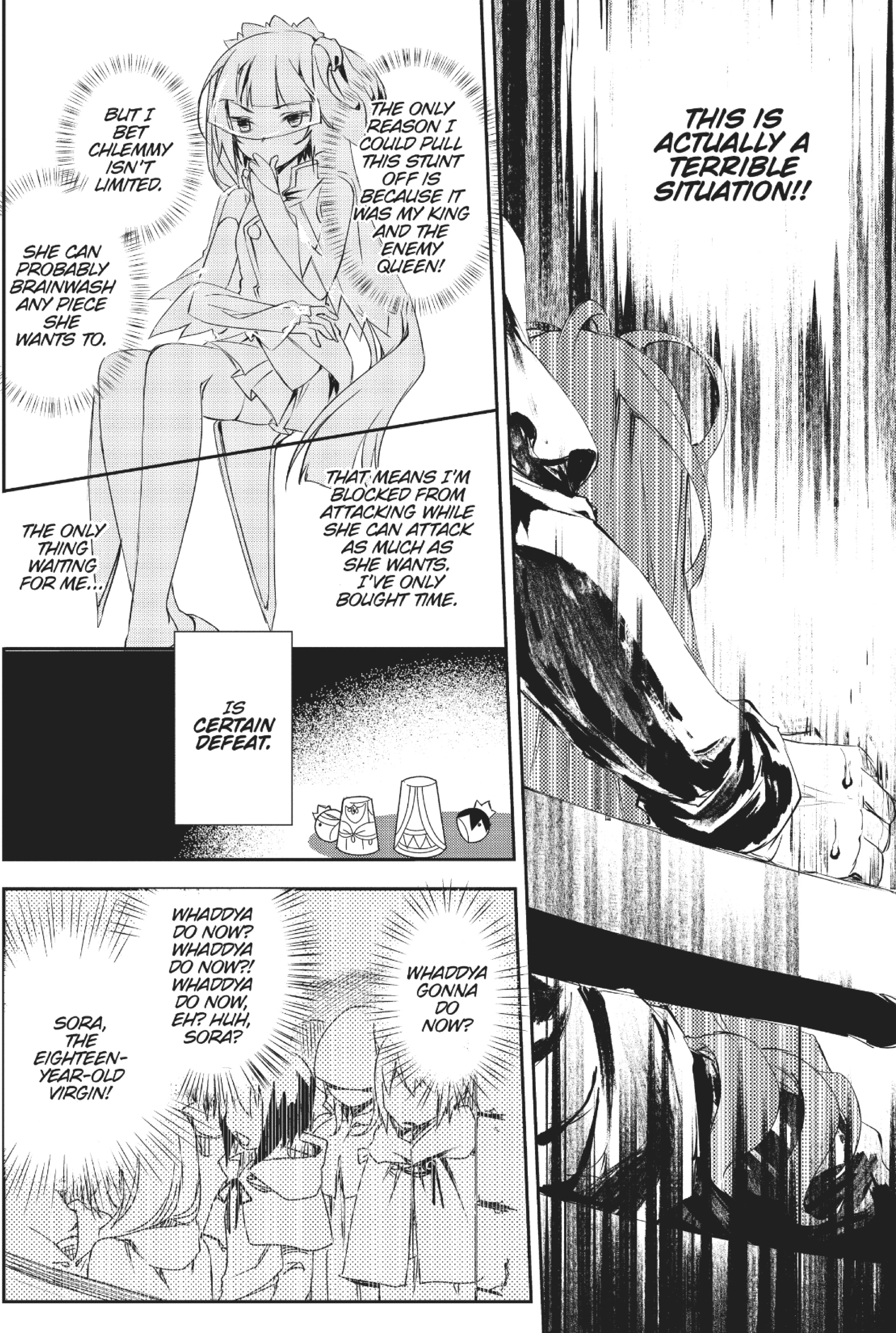

SPARKLE
AHH!
MOST BEAUTEOUS AND MAGNANIMOUS QUEEN OF BLACK...!
HOW CRUEL FATE MUST BE...
FOR THIS MEETING BETWEEN YOU AND I TO BE LIKE THIS!
PLEASE... I BESEECH YOU... ALLOW MY WORDS TO REACH YOUR EARS.
...!
VMMM
SWF
SHIMMER
FWAA
WHAAAAT?!
MY GRATITUDE OVERWHELMS ME.

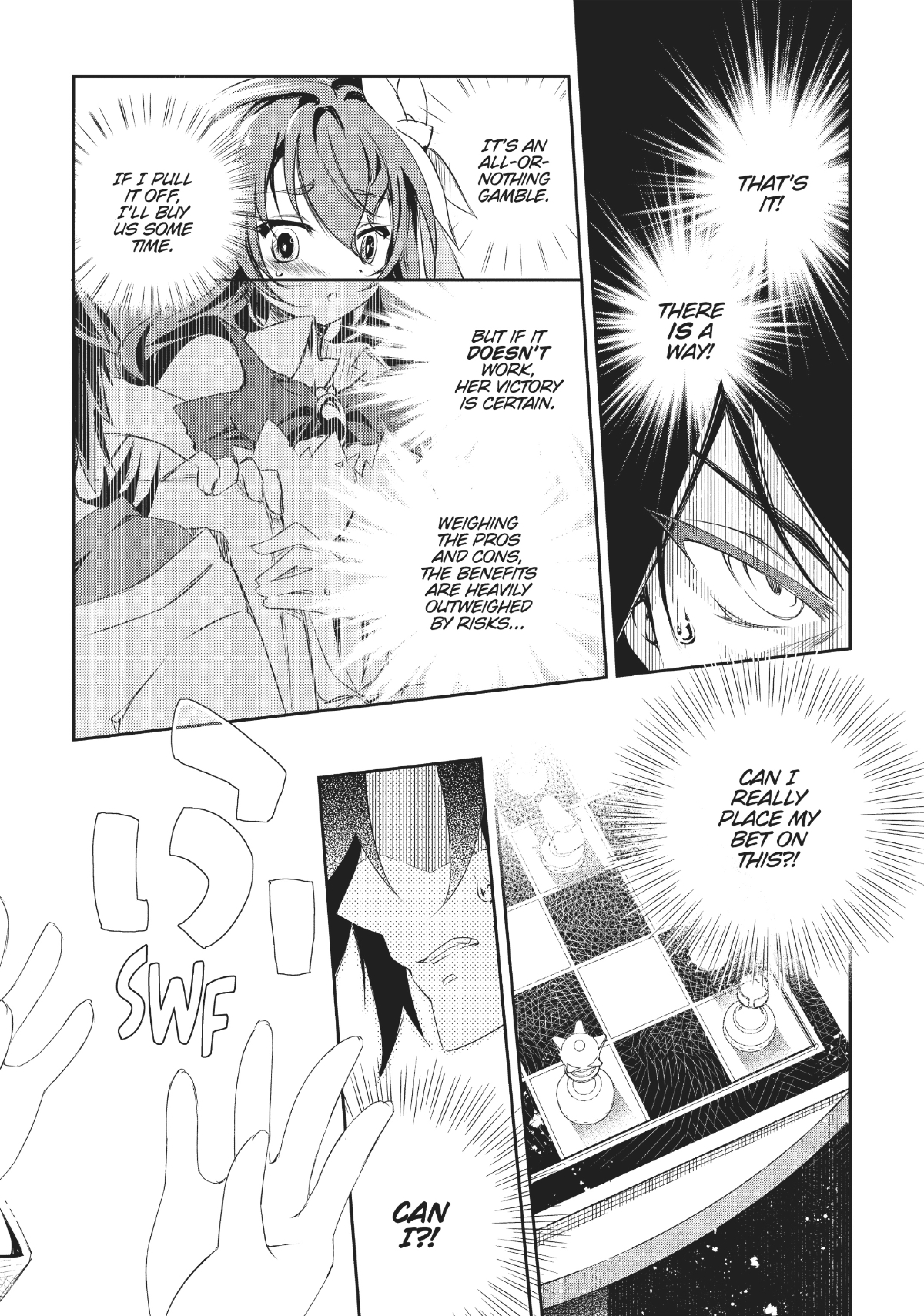

FAIR QUEEN, ALLOW ME TO ASK YOU ONE THING.
DOST THOU OBEY THY KING OF THINE OWN FREE WILL? OR ARE THERE... *CIRCUMSTANCES* DICTATING IT BE SO?
TELL ME TRUE...
DOST THOU BELIEVE HIM *WORTHY* OF THY SERVICE?!
CLENCH

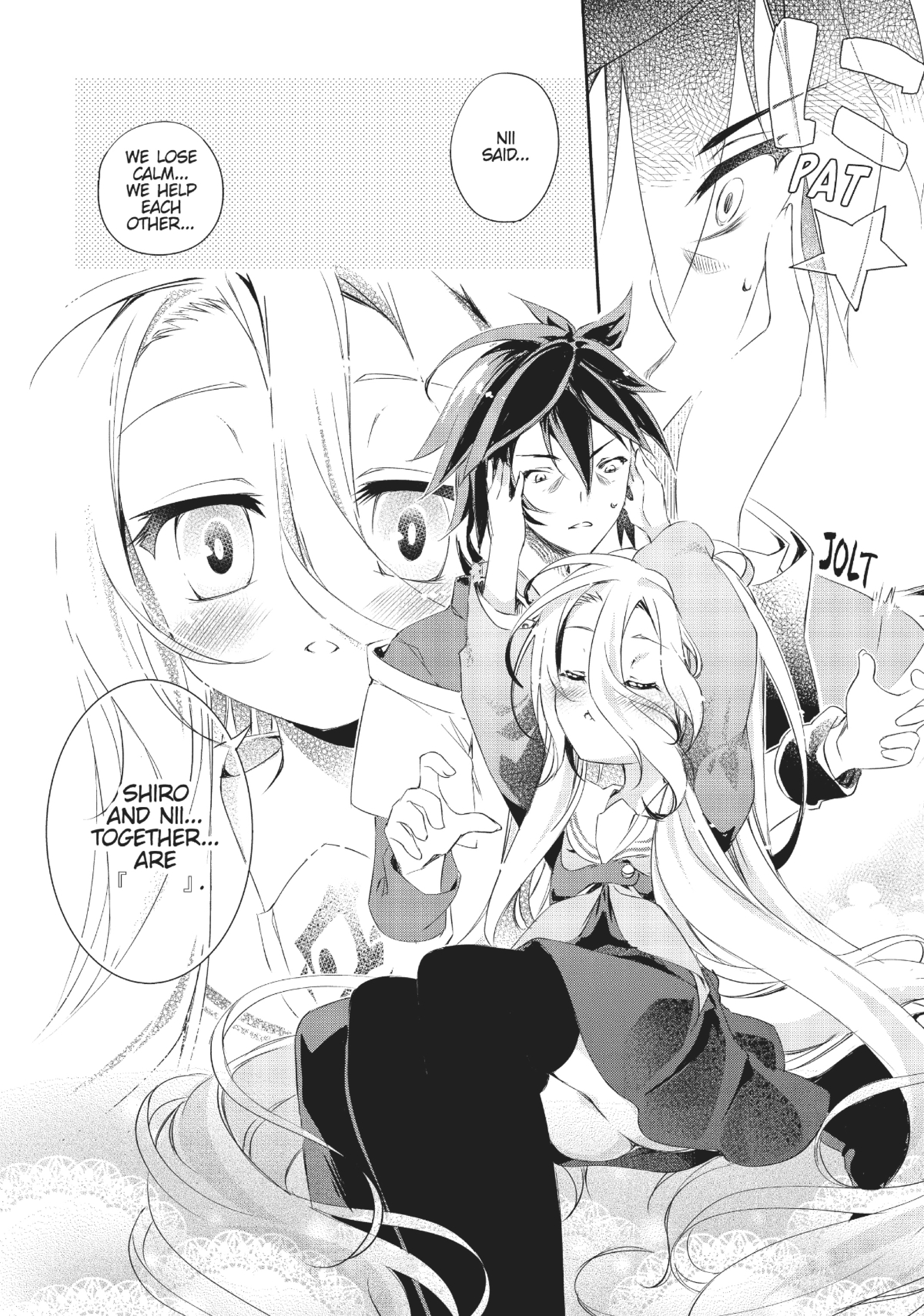
THIS IS NOT JUST A GAME OF CHESS!

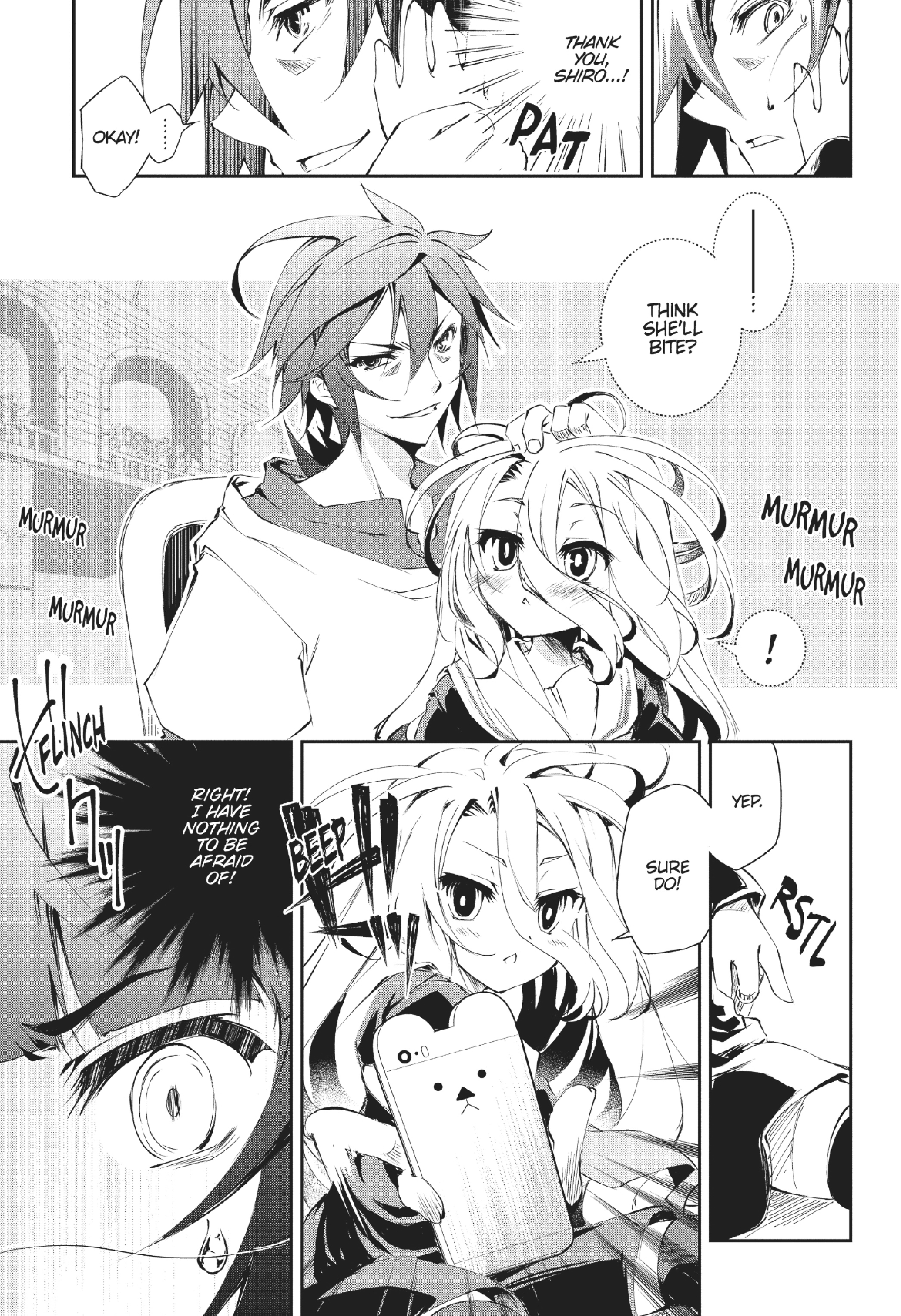

O, QUEEN!
BEAUTEOUS LADY, WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO MEET AS ENEMIES BUT THROUGH THE CRUEL VAGARIES OF FATE!
YOUR TROOPS AND YOUR PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ENSORCELLED, THEIR SWORDS AND THEIR LIVES USED LIKE TOOLS.
EVEN YOU HAVE BEEN FORCED TO STAND ON THE FRONT LINES, WHILST YOUR COWARD OF A KING HIDES IN THE REAR.
IS SUCH A KING TRULY WORTHY OF YOUR RADIANCE--OF YOUR SWORD?!
PLIP
ぽろっ
PLEASE! I WISH THAT YOU WOULD THROW YOUR SWORD ASIDE!
FOR YOUR PEOPLE! FOR THOSE WHOM YOU ARE SWORN TO PROTECT!
WHERE IS YOUR KING WHEN HIS PEOPLE NEED THEM MOST?!
THIS IS NO RTS!
THIS IS NOW A DATING SIM!
CLANG
カランッ

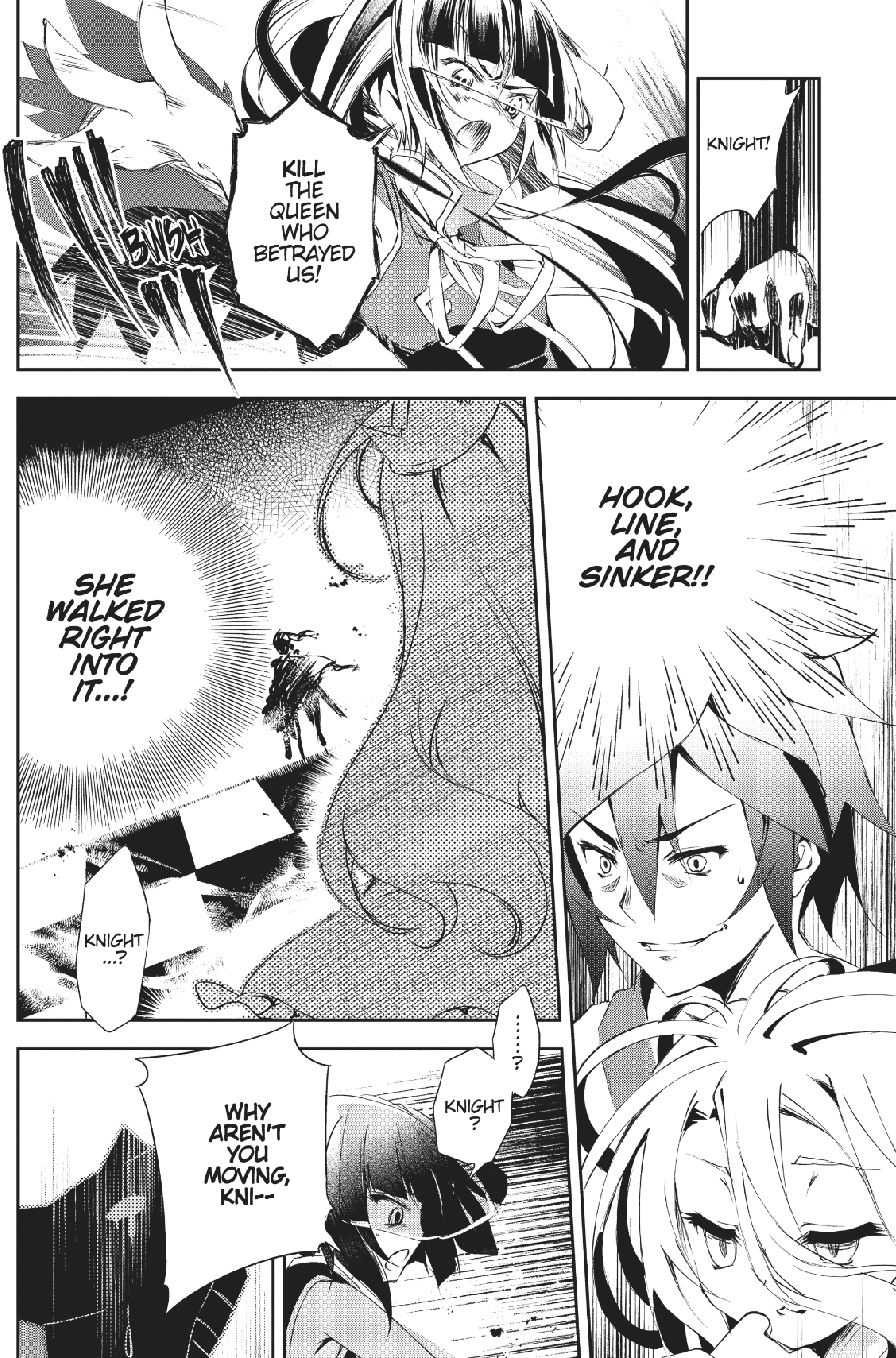

THE HELL IS THIS?!
GLOWWW
MY QUEEN ...
SHFF SHFF
GLEAM
HAS BEEN BRAINWASHED... BY HIM?!
WOOOWWW!
TH... THAT WAS AMAZING!
YOU COMPLETELY TURNED THE SITUATION AROUND!
WHOAAA!
HEH HEH HEH.
DATING SIMS ARE ONE OF THE FEW GAMES I'M BETTER AT THAN MY SISTER.
NO...!

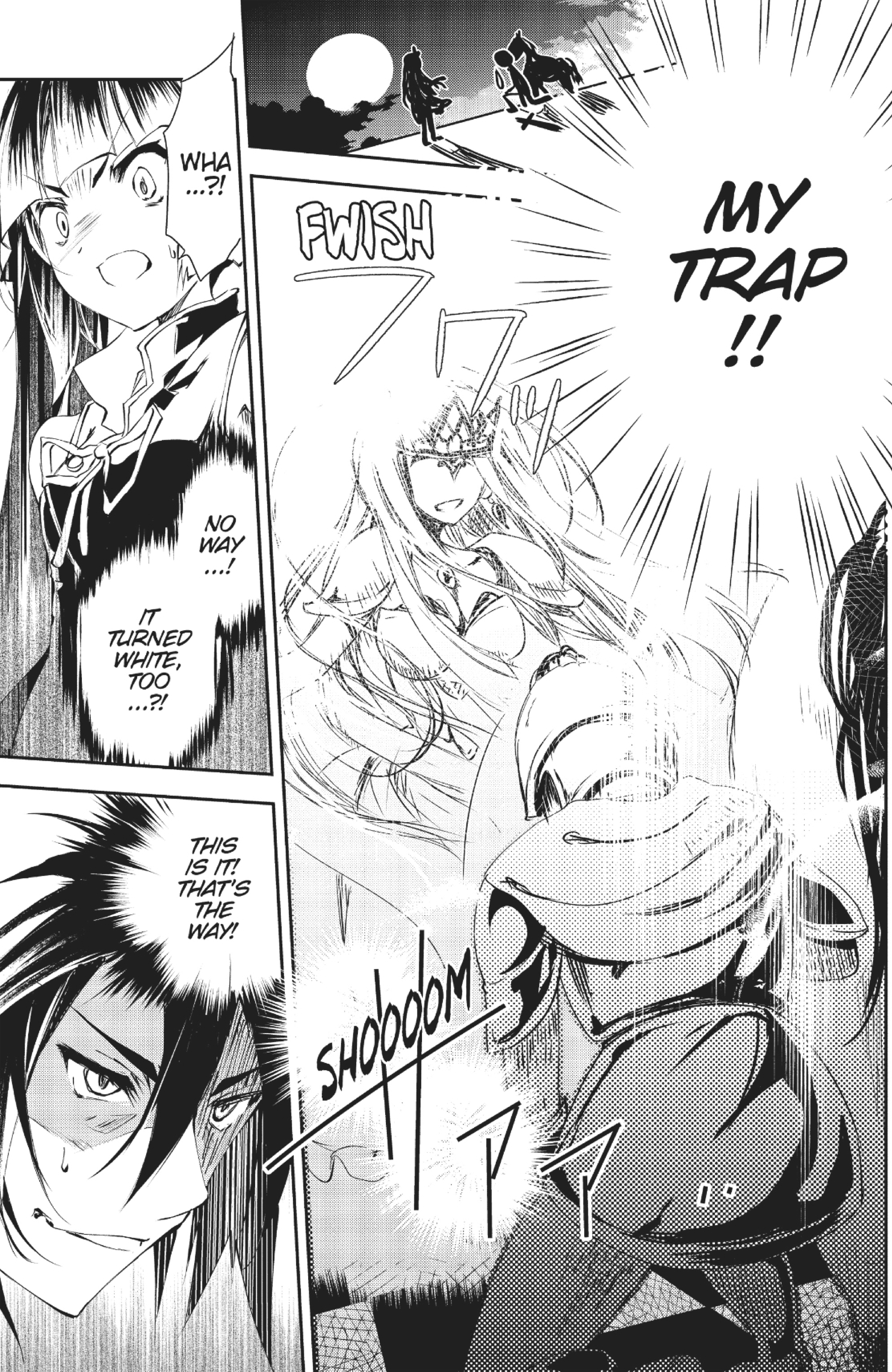

THIS IS ACTUALLY A TERRIBLE SITUATION!!
THE ONLY REASON I COULD PULL THIS STUNT OFF IS BECAUSE IT WAS MY KING AND THE ENEMY QUEEN!
BUT I BET CHLEMMY ISN'T LIMITED.
SHE CAN PROBABLY BRAINWASH ANY PIECE SHE WANTS TO.
THAT MEANS I'M BLOCKED FROM ATTACKING WHILE SHE CAN ATTACK AS MUCH AS SHE WANTS. I'VE ONLY BOUGHT TIME.
THE ONLY THING WAITING FOR ME...
IS CERTAIN DEFEAT.
WHADDYA GONNA DO NOW?
WHADDYA DO NOW? WHADDYA DO NOW?! WHADDYA DO NOW, EH? HUH, SORA?
SORA, THE EIGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD VIRGIN!

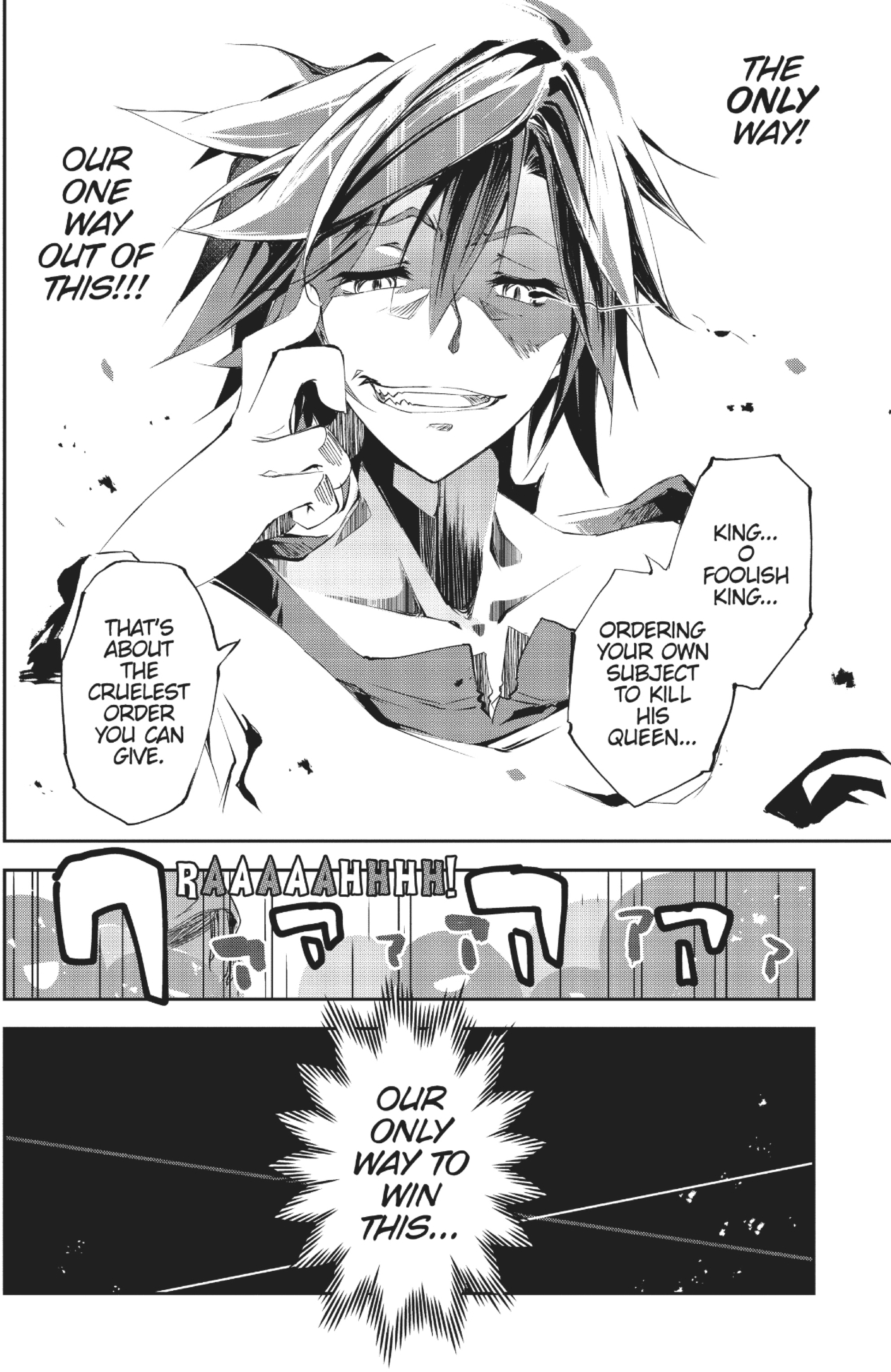

THAT'S IT!
THERE IS A WAY!
IT'S AN ALL-OR-NOTHING GAMBLE.
IF I PULL IT OFF, I'LL BUY US SOME TIME.
BUT IF IT DOESN'T WORK, HER VICTORY IS CERTAIN.
WEIGHING THE PROS AND CONS, THE BENEFITS ARE HEAVILY OUTWEIGHED BY RISKS...
CAN I REALLY PLACE MY BET ON THIS?!
CAN I?!
SWF

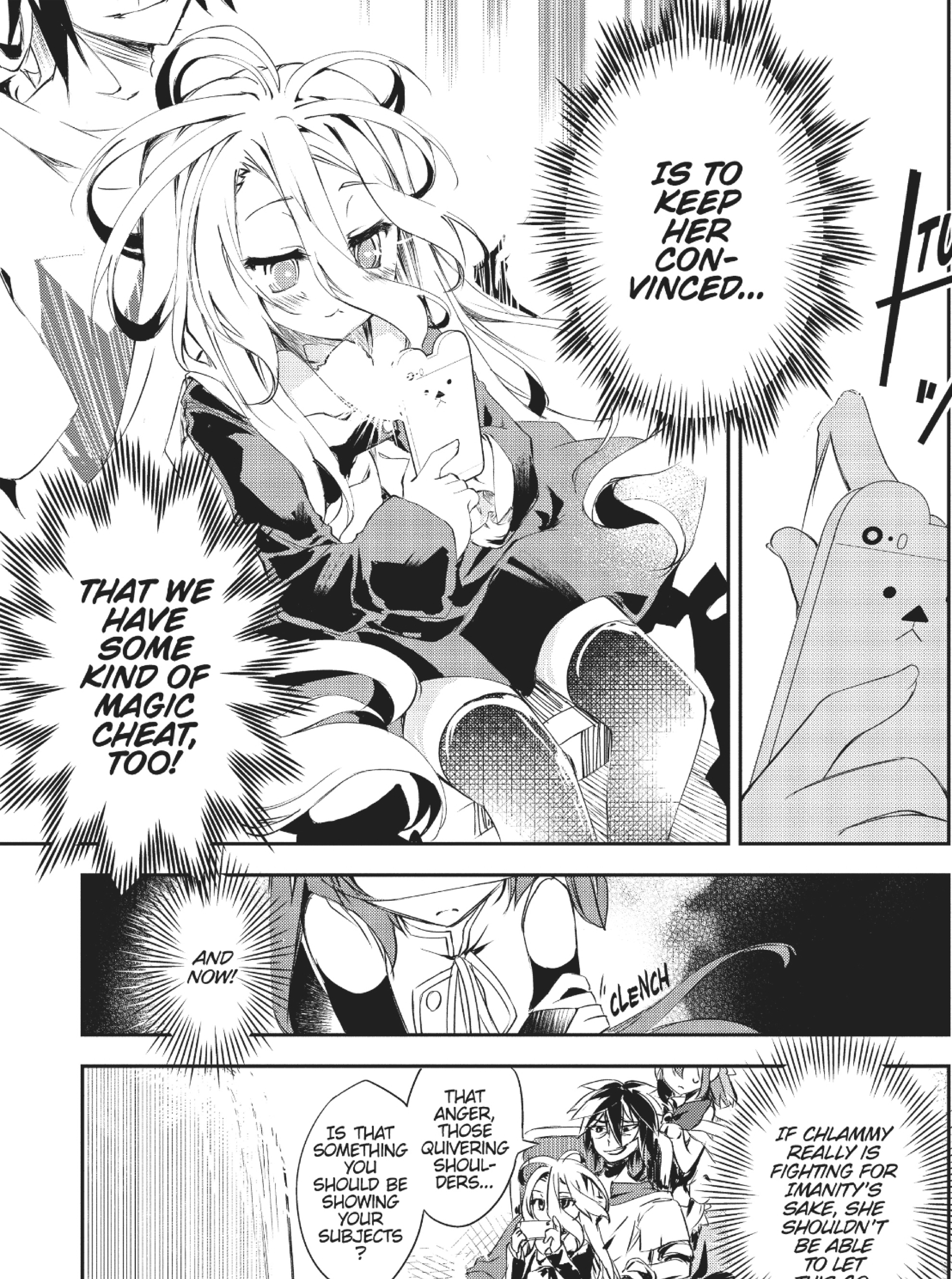

PAT
NII SAID...
WE LOSE CALM... WE HELP EACH OTHER...
JOLT
SHIRO AND NII... TOGETHER... ARE 『　』.


THANK YOU, SHIRO...!
PAT
......
OKAY!
—!
THINK SHE'LL BITE?
MURMUR
MURMUR
!
MURMUR
MURMUR
YEP.
SURE DO!
RSTL
BEEP
RIGHT! I HAVE NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF!
FLINCH


KNIGHT!
KILL THE QUEEN WHO BETRAYED US!
BWSH
HOOK, LINE, AND SINKER!!
SHE WALKED RIGHT INTO IT...!
KNIGHT ...?
......?
KNIGHT ?
WHY AREN'T YOU MOVING, KNI--


MY TRAP!!
WHA...?!
NO WAY...!
IT TURNED WHITE, TOO...?!
FWISH
SHOOOOM
THIS IS IT! THAT'S THE WAY!


THE ONLY WAY!
OUR ONE WAY OUT OF THIS!!!
KING... O FOOLISH KING...
ORDERING YOUR OWN SUBJECT TO KILL HIS QUEEN...
THAT'S ABOUT THE CRUELEST ORDER YOU CAN GIVE.
RAAAAAHHHH!
OUR ONLY WAY TO WIN THIS...


IS TO KEEP HER CONVINCED...
TUP
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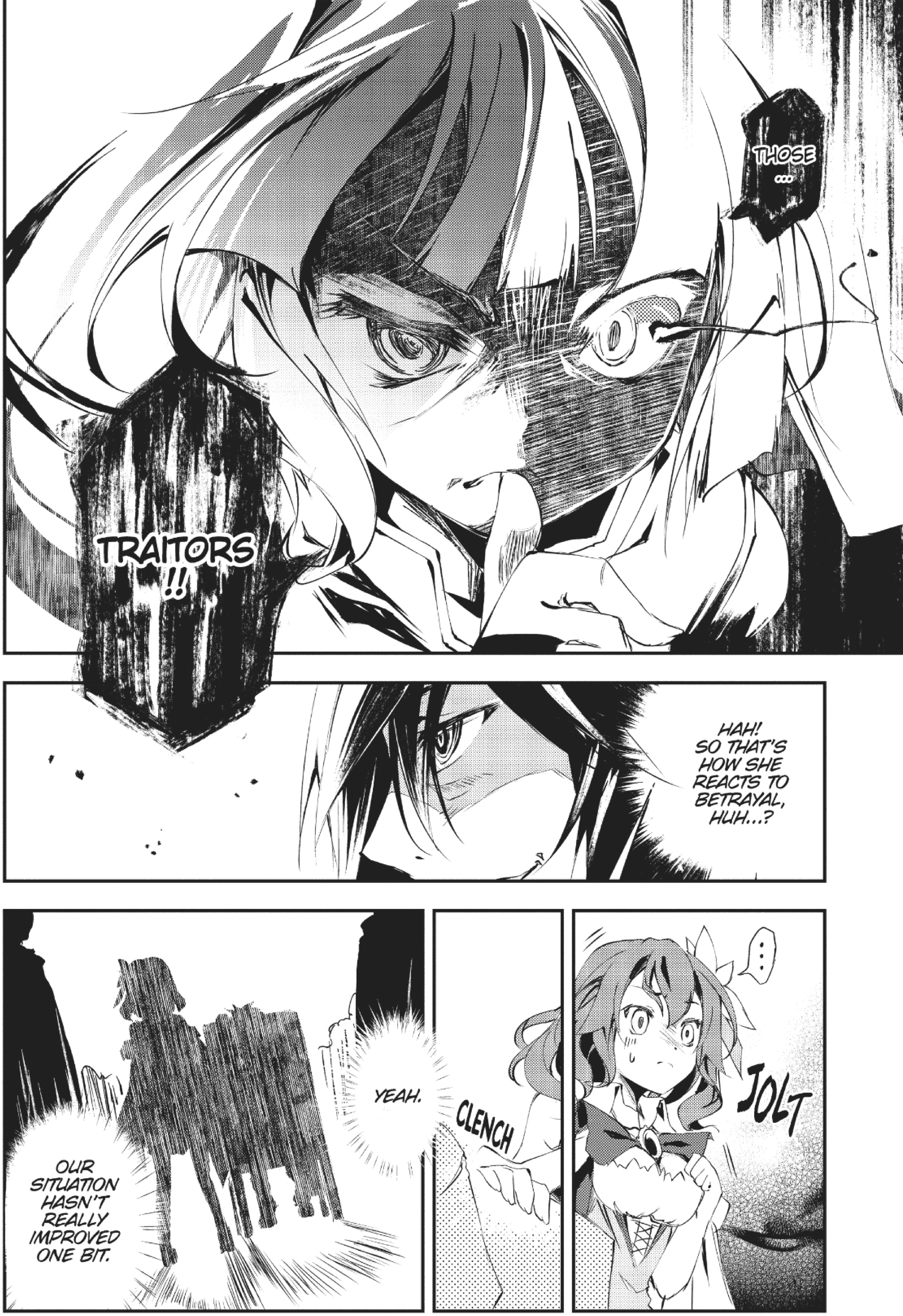
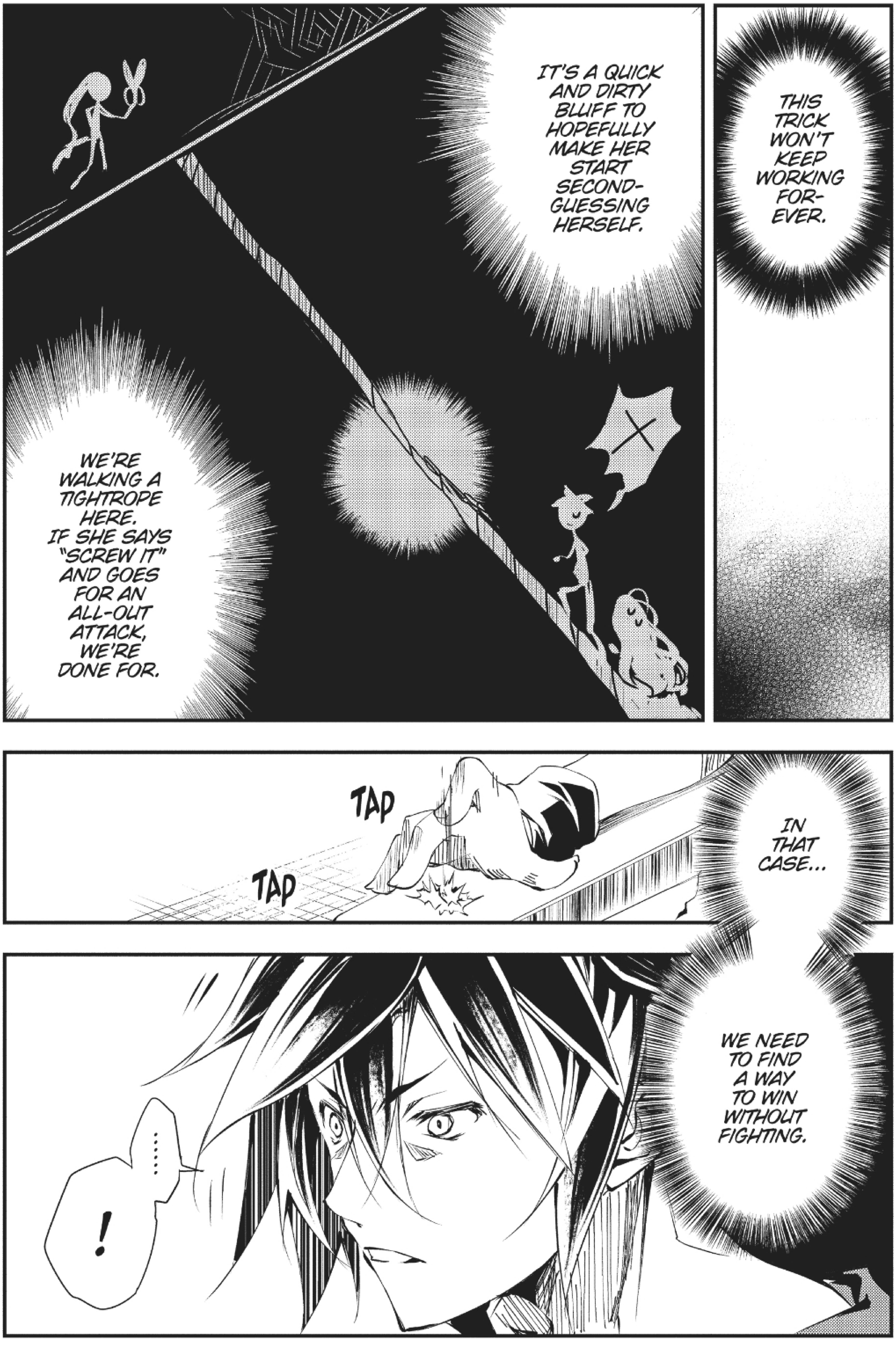
THAT WE HAVE SOME KIND OF MAGIC CHEAT, TOO!
AND NOW!
CLENCH
IF CHLAMMY REALLY IS FIGHTING FOR IMANITY'S SAKE, SHE SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO LET THIS GO.
THAT ANGER, THOSE QUIVERING SHOULDERS...
IS THAT SOMETHING YOU SHOULD BE SHOWING YOUR SUBJECTS?


THOSE ...
TRAITORS !!
HAH! SO THAT'S HOW SHE REACTS TO BETRAYAL, HUH...?
...
JOLT
CLENCH
YEAH.
OUR SITUATION HASN'T REALLY IMPROVED ONE BIT.


THIS TRICK WON'T KEEP WORKING FOREVER.
IT'S A QUICK AND DIRTY BLUFF TO HOPEFULLY MAKE HER START SECOND-GUESSING HERSELF.
WE'RE WALKING A TIGHTROPE HERE. IF SHE SAYS "SCREW IT" AND GOES FOR AN ALL-OUT ATTACK, WE'RE DONE FOR.
IN THAT CASE...
TAP
TAP
WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO WIN WITHOUT FIGHTING.
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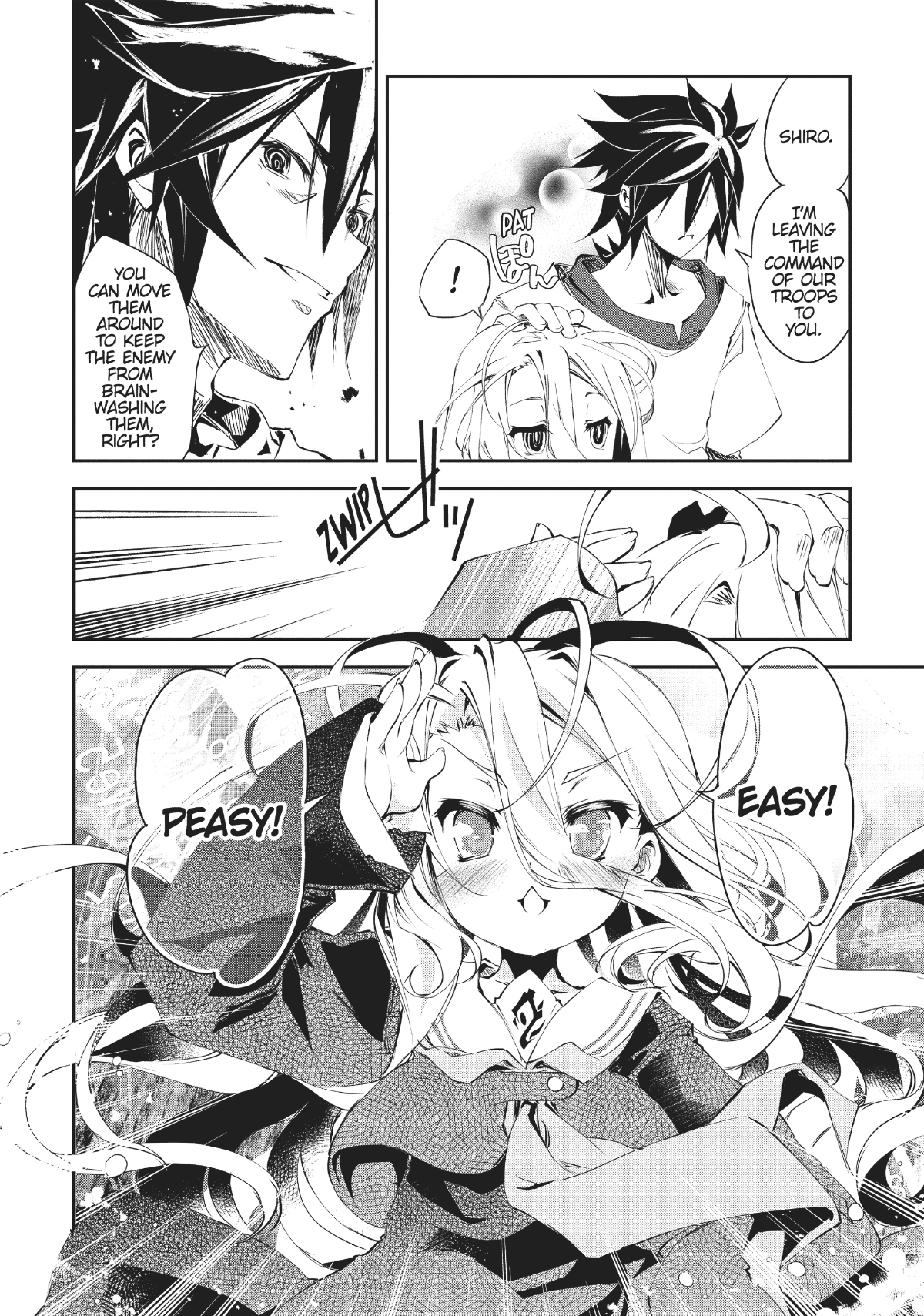
SHIRO.
I'M LEAVING THE COMMAND OF OUR TROOPS TO YOU.
PAT
ぽん
!
YOU CAN MOVE THEM AROUND TO KEEP THE ENEMY FROM BRAINWASHING THEM, RIGHT?
ZWIP
EASY!
PEASY!

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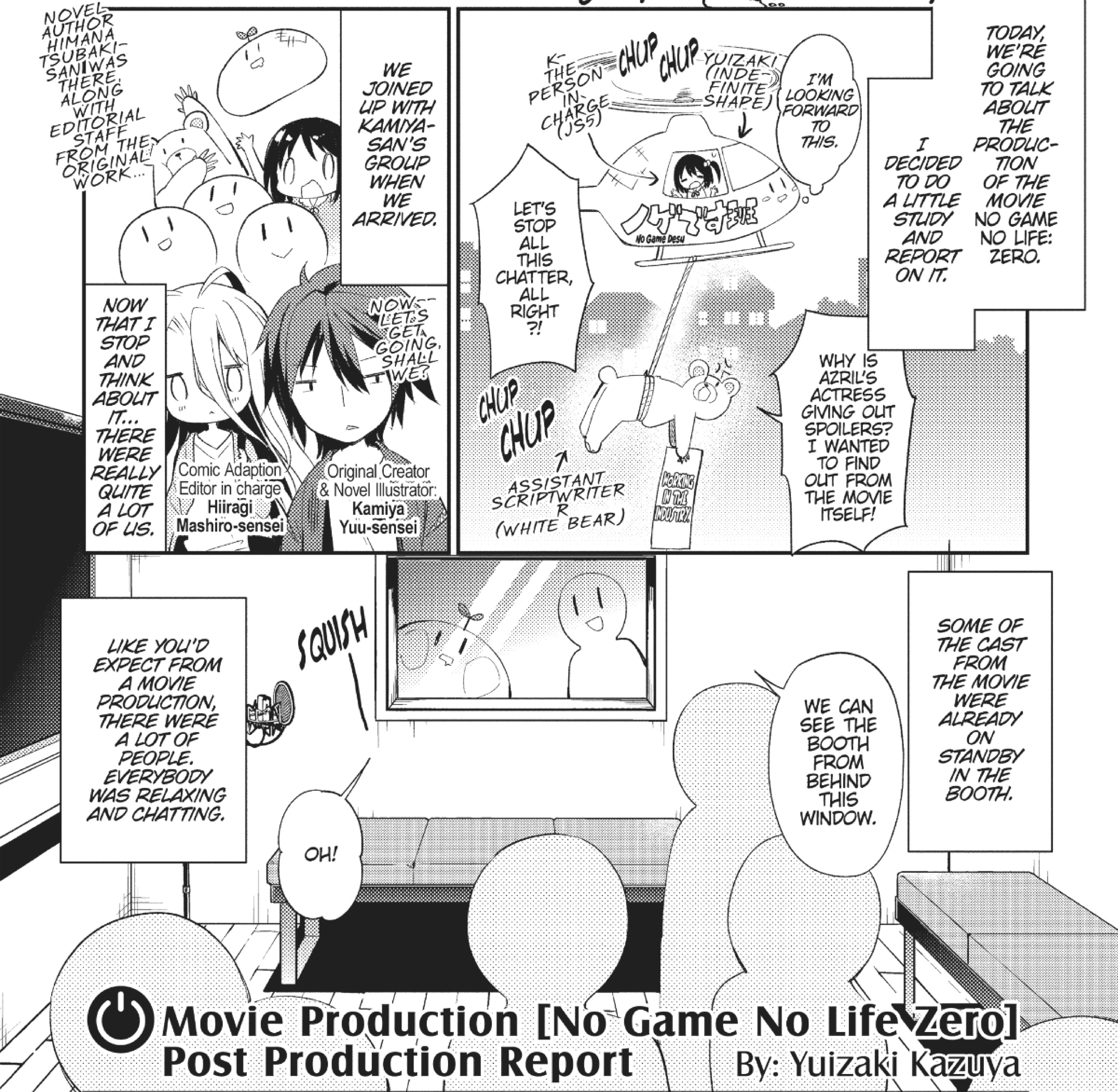
TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE PRODUCTION OF THE MOVIE NO GAME NO LIFE: ZERO.
I DECIDED TO DO A LITTLE STUDY AND REPORT ON IT.
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS.
YUIZAKI (INDEFINITE SHAPE)
CHUP CHUP
K-THE PERSON IN-CHARGE (JS5)
ノゲです主班
No Game Desu
LET'S STOP ALL THIS CHATTER, ALL RIGHT?!
WHY IS AZRIL'S ACTRESS GIVING OUT SPOILERS? I WANTED TO FIND OUT FROM THE MOVIE ITSELF!
WORKING IN THE INDUSTRY
ASSISTANT SCRIPTWRITER R (WHITE BEAR)
CHUP CHUP
WE JOINED UP WITH KAMIYA-SAN'S GROUP WHEN WE ARRIVED.
NOVEL AUTHOR HIMANA TSUBAKI-SAN WAS THERE, ALONG WITH EDITORIAL STAFF FROM THE ORIGINAL WORK...
NOW, LET'S GET GOING, SHALL WE?
Original Creator & Novel Illustrator: Kamiya Yuu-sensei
Comic Adaption Editor in charge Hiiragi Mashiro-sensei
NOW THAT I STOP AND THINK ABOUT IT... THERE WERE REALLY QUITE A LOT OF US.
SOME OF THE CAST FROM THE MOVIE WERE ALREADY ON STANDBY IN THE BOOTH.
WE CAN SEE THE BOOTH FROM BEHIND THIS WINDOW.
SQUISH
OH!
LIKE YOU'D EXPECT FROM A MOVIE PRODUCTION, THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE. EVERYBODY WAS RELAXING AND CHATTING.

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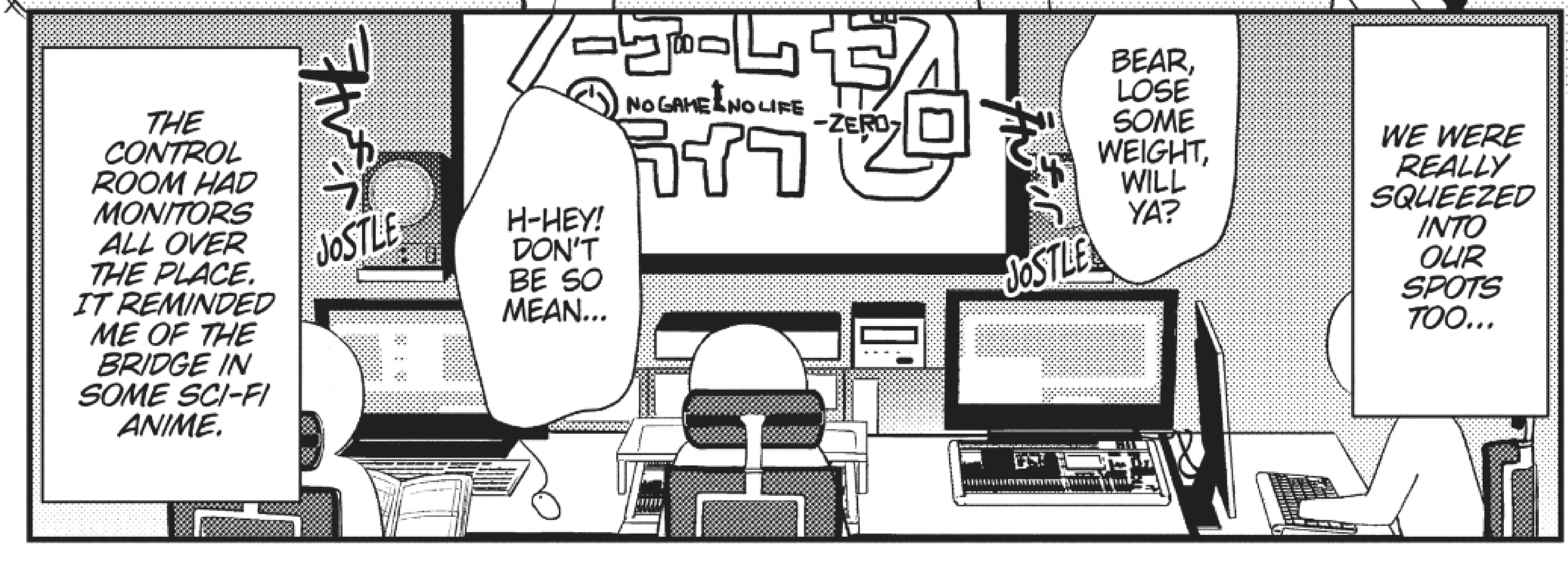
WE WERE REALLY SQUEEZED INTO OUR SPOTS TOO...
BEAR, LOSE SOME WEIGHT, WILL YA?
JOSTLE
ノーゲーム・ノーライフ ゼロ
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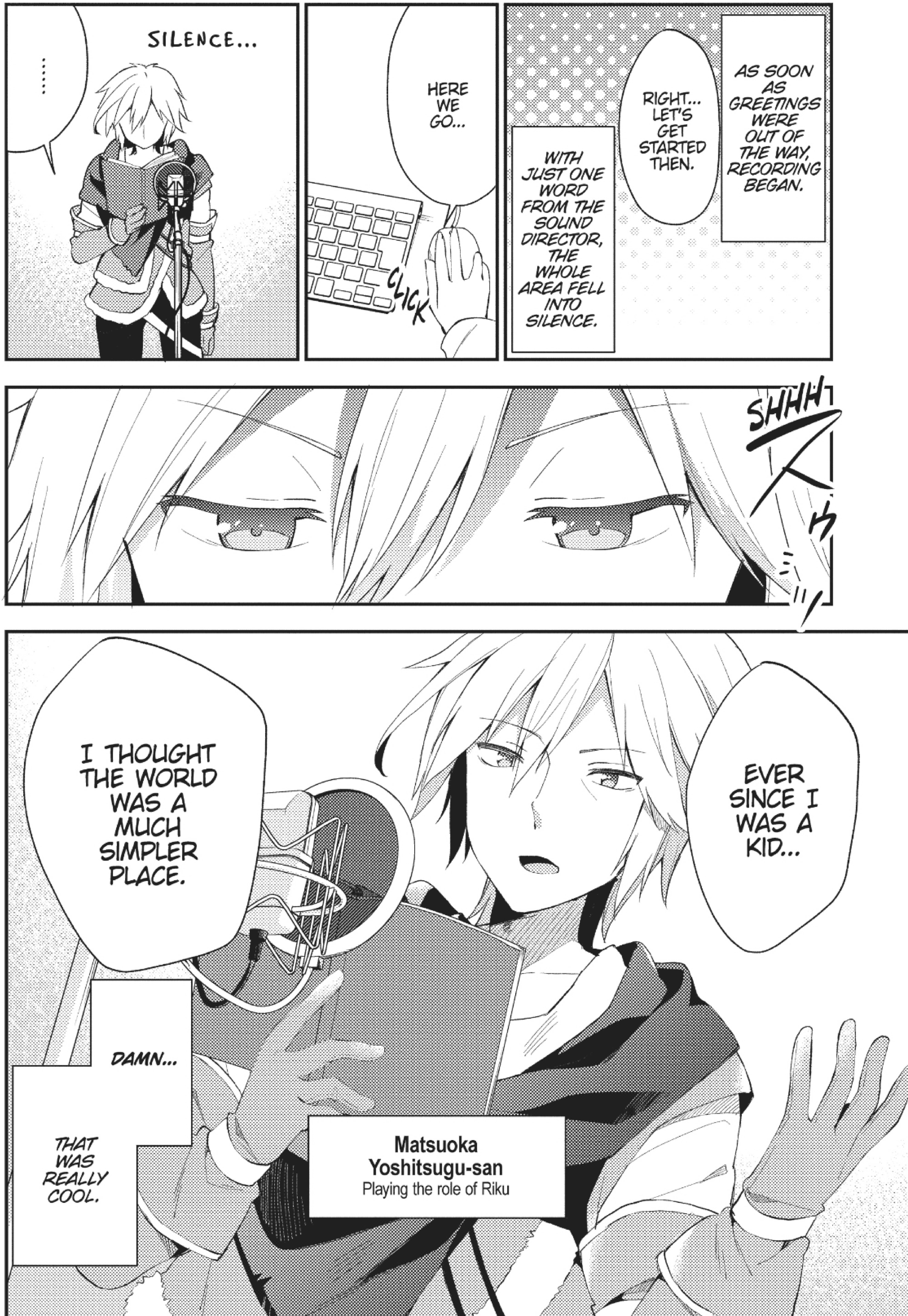
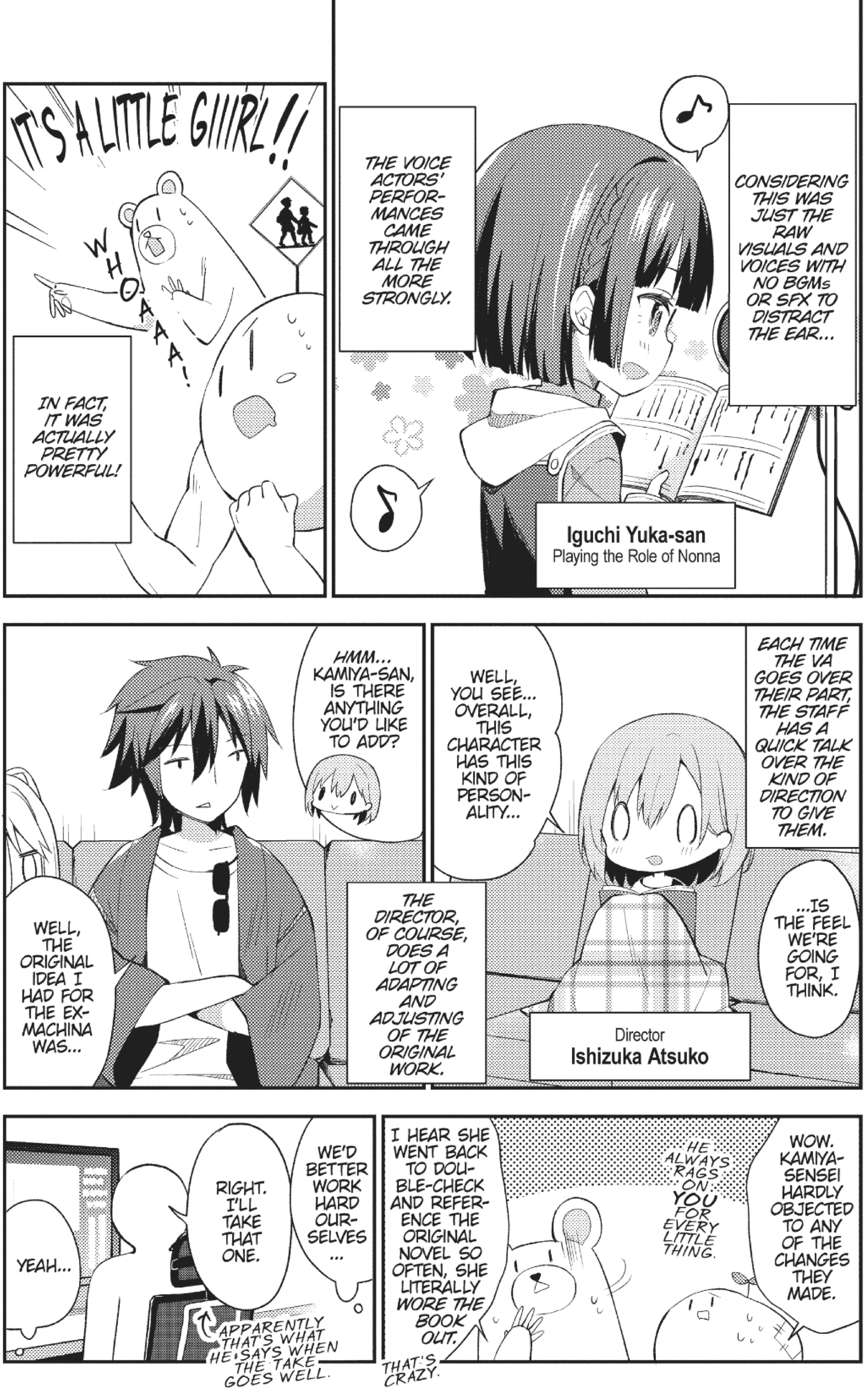
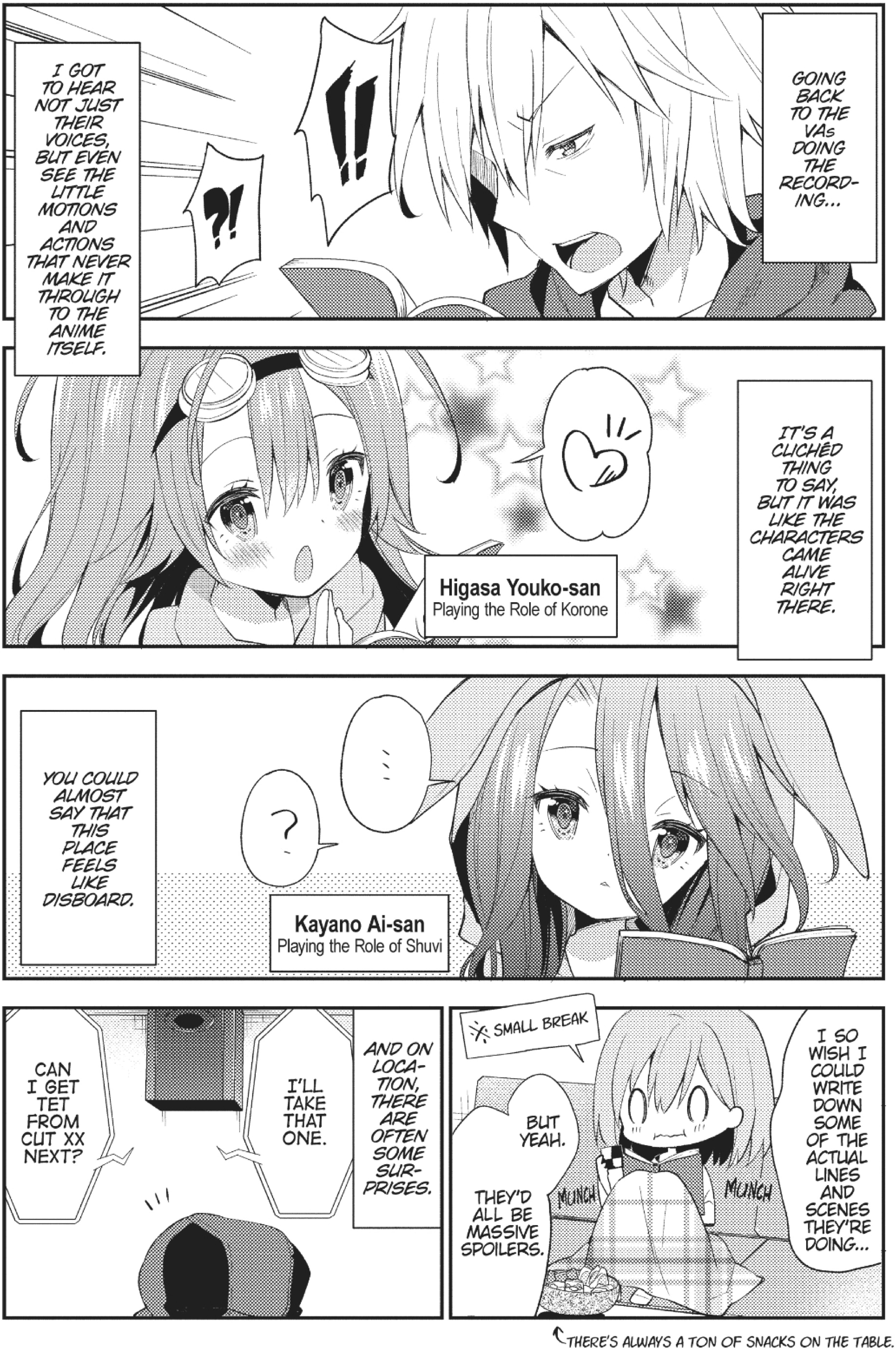
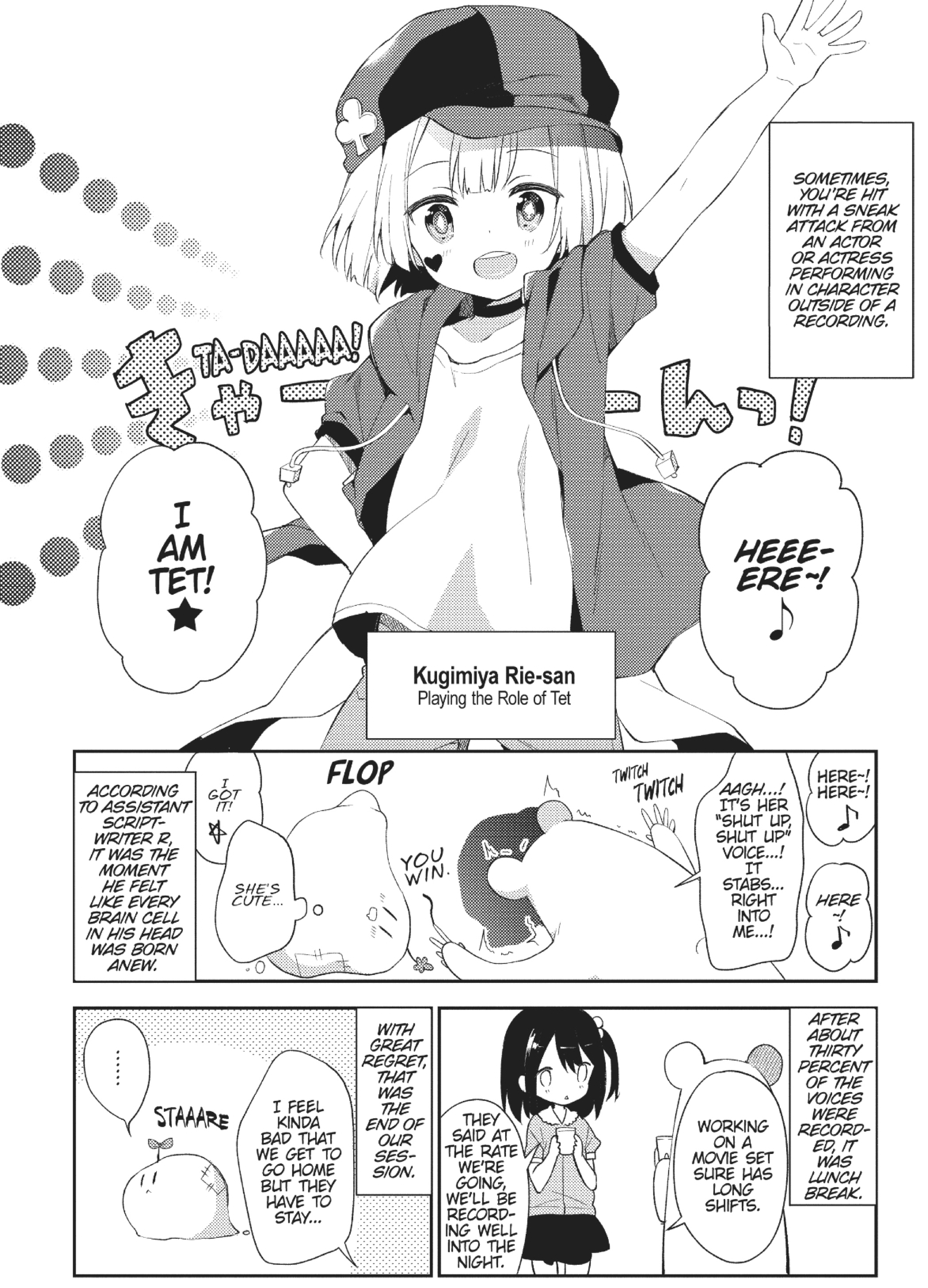
H-HEY! DON'T BE SO MEAN...
JOSTLE
THE CONTROL ROOM HAD MONITORS ALL OVER THE PLACE. IT REMINDED ME OF THE BRIDGE IN SOME SCI-FI ANIME.


AS SOON AS GREETINGS WERE OUT OF THE WAY, RECORDING BEGAN.
RIGHT... LET'S GET STARTED THEN.
WITH JUST ONE WORD FROM THE SOUND DIRECTOR, THE WHOLE AREA FELL INTO SILENCE.
HERE WE GO...
CLICK
SILENCE...
......
SHHH
EVER SINCE I WAS A KID...
I THOUGHT THE WORLD WAS A MUCH SIMPLER PLACE.
Matsuoka Yoshitsugu-san
Playing the role of Riku
DAMN...
THAT WAS REALLY COOL.


CONSIDERING THIS WAS JUST THE RAW VISUALS AND VOICES WITH NO BGMs OR SFX TO DISTRACT THE EAR...
THE VOICE ACTORS' PERFORMANCES CAME THROUGH ALL THE MORE STRONGLY.
♪
♪
Iguchi Yuka-san
Playing the Role of Nonna
IT'S A LITTLE GIIIRL!!
WHOAAAA!
IN FACT, IT WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY POWERFUL!
EACH TIME THE VA GOES OVER THEIR PART, THE STAFF HAS A QUICK TALK OVER THE KIND OF DIRECTION TO GIVE THEM.
WELL, YOU SEE... OVERALL, THIS CHARACTER HAS THIS KIND OF PERSONALITY...
...IS THE FEEL WE'RE GOING FOR, I THINK.
THE DIRECTOR, OF COURSE, DOES A LOT OF ADAPTING AND ADJUSTING OF THE ORIGINAL WORK.
Director
Ishizuka Atsuko
HMM... KAMIYA-SAN, IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO ADD?
WELL, THE ORIGINAL IDEA I HAD FOR THE EX-MACHINA WAS...
WOW. KAMIYA-SENSEI HARDLY OBJECTED TO ANY OF THE CHANGES THEY MADE.
HE ALWAYS RAGS ON YOU FOR EVERY LITTLE THING.
I HEAR SHE WENT BACK TO DOUBLE-CHECK AND REFERENCE THE ORIGINAL NOVEL SO OFTEN, SHE LITERALLY WORE THE BOOK OUT.
THAT'S CRAZY.
WE'D BETTER WORK HARD OURSELVES...
RIGHT. I'LL TAKE THAT ONE.
YEAH...
APPARENTLY THAT'S WHAT HE SAYS WHEN THE TAKE GOES WELL.


GOING BACK TO THE VAs DOING THE RECORDING...
!!
?!
I GOT TO HEAR NOT JUST THEIR VOICES, BUT EVEN SEE THE LITTLE MOTIONS AND ACTIONS THAT NEVER MAKE IT THROUGH TO THE ANIME ITSELF.
IT'S A CLICHÉD THING TO SAY, BUT IT WAS LIKE THE CHARACTERS CAME ALIVE RIGHT THERE.
♡
Higasa Youko-san
Playing the Role of Korone
...
?
YOU COULD ALMOST SAY THAT THIS PLACE FEELS LIKE DISBOARD.
Kayano Ai-san
Playing the Role of Shuvi
SMALL BREAK
I SO WISH I COULD WRITE DOWN SOME OF THE ACTUAL LINES AND SCENES THEY'RE DOING...
BUT YEAH.
THEY'D ALL BE MASSIVE SPOILERS.
MUNCH
MUNCH
AND ON LOCATION, THERE ARE OFTEN SOME SURPRISES.
I'LL TAKE THAT ONE.
CAN I GET TET FROM CUT XX NEXT?

THERE'S ALWAYS A TON OF SNACKS ON THE TABLE.


SOMETIMES, YOU'RE HIT WITH A SNEAK ATTACK FROM AN ACTOR OR ACTRESS PERFORMING IN CHARACTER OUTSIDE OF A RECORDING.
TA-DAAAAA!
HEEE-ERE~! ♪
I AM TET! ★
Kugimiya Rie-san
Playing the Role of Tet
HERE~! HERE~! ♪
HERE~! ♪
AAGH...! IT'S HER "SHUT UP, SHUT UP" VOICE...! IT STABS... RIGHT INTO ME...!
TWITCH TWITCH
YOU WIN.
FLOP
I GOT IT!
SHE'S CUTE...
ACCORDING TO ASSISTANT SCRIPT-WRITER R, IT WAS THE MOMENT HE FELT LIKE EVERY BRAIN CELL IN HIS HEAD WAS BORN ANEW.
AFTER ABOUT THIRTY PERCENT OF THE VOICES WERE RECORDED, IT WAS LUNCH BREAK.
WORKING ON A MOVIE SET SURE HAS LONG SHIFTS.
THEY SAID AT THE RATE WE'RE GOING, WE'LL BE RECORDING WELL INTO THE NIGHT.
WITH GREAT REGRET, THAT WAS THE END OF OUR SESSION.
I FEEL KINDA BAD THAT WE GET TO GO HOME BUT THEY HAVE TO STAY...
STAAARE
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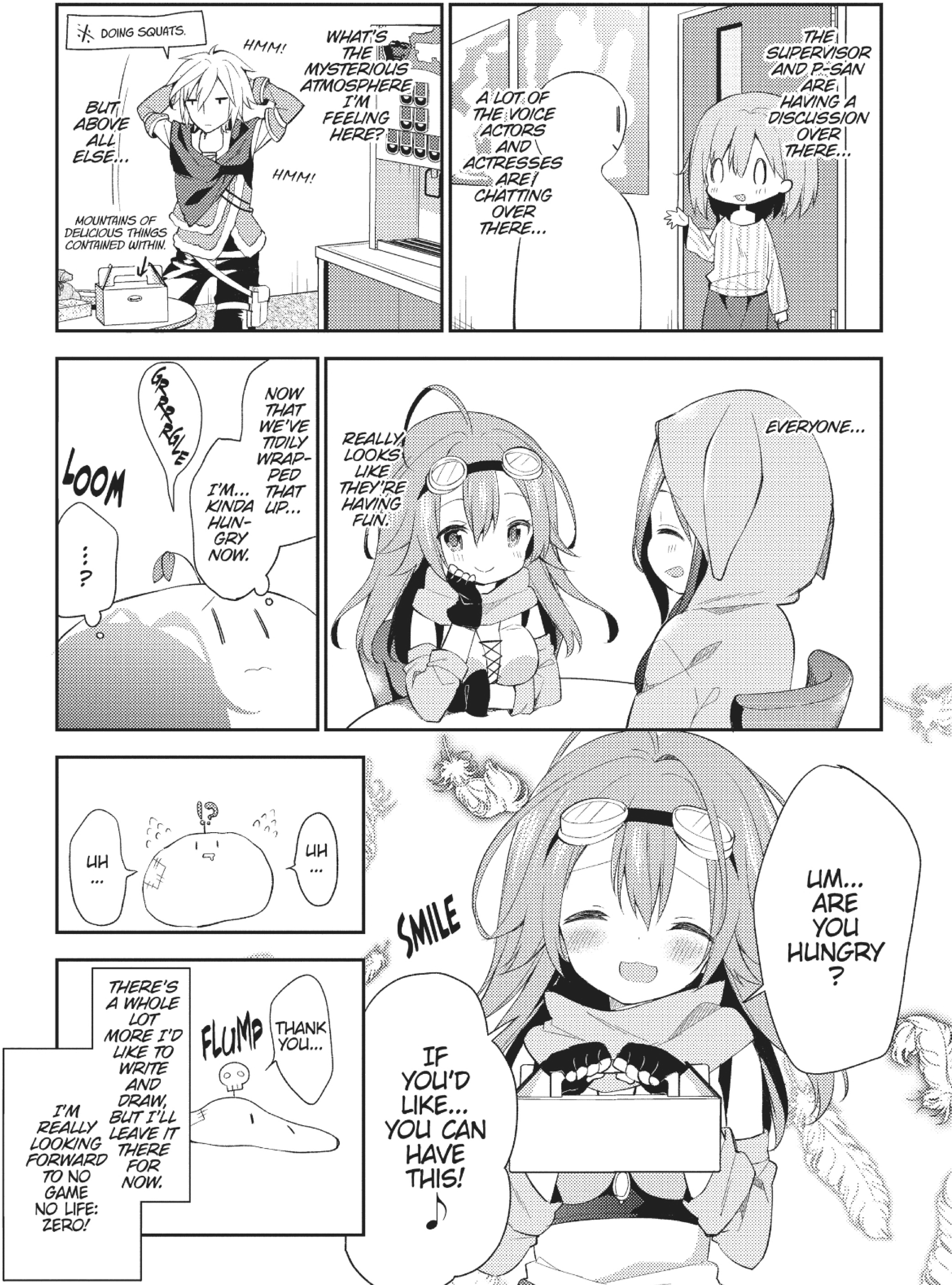
THE SUPERVISOR AND P-SAN ARE HAVING A DISCUSSION OVER THERE...
A LOT OF THE VOICE ACTORS AND ACTRESSES ARE CHATTING OVER THERE...
WHAT'S THE MYSTERIOUS ATMOSPHERE I'M FEELING HERE?
HMM!
※ DOING SQUATS.
BUT ABOVE ALL ELSE...
HMM!
MOUNTAINS OF DELICIOUS THINGS CONTAINED WITHIN.
EVERYONE...
REALLY LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE HAVING FUN.
NOW THAT WE'VE TIDILY WRAPPED THAT UP...
I'M... KINDA HUNGRY NOW.
GRRRRGLE
LOOM
...?
UM... ARE YOU HUNGRY?
SMILE
IF YOU'D LIKE... YOU CAN HAVE THIS! ♪
UH...
UH...
THANK YOU...
FLUMP
THERE'S A WHOLE LOT MORE I'D LIKE TO WRITE AND DRAW, BUT I'LL LEAVE IT THERE FOR NOW.
I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO NO GAME NO LIFE: ZERO!

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AFTERWORD

Hiiragi Mashiro & Kamiya Yuu

榎宮祐 Yuu Kamiya

“Where do people come from, and where are they going?” Upon pondering this profound question, I have finally discerned the answer. They come from bed, and are going to bed!

柊ましろ Mashiro Hiiragi

Last night, running on the punchy energy of an all-nighter, Kamiya-san was suddenly like **“I finally know how Sora’s hair works!!”** and scribbled down this illustration before crashing. When he wakes up, I’m going to ask for a detailed breakdown and a written apology.

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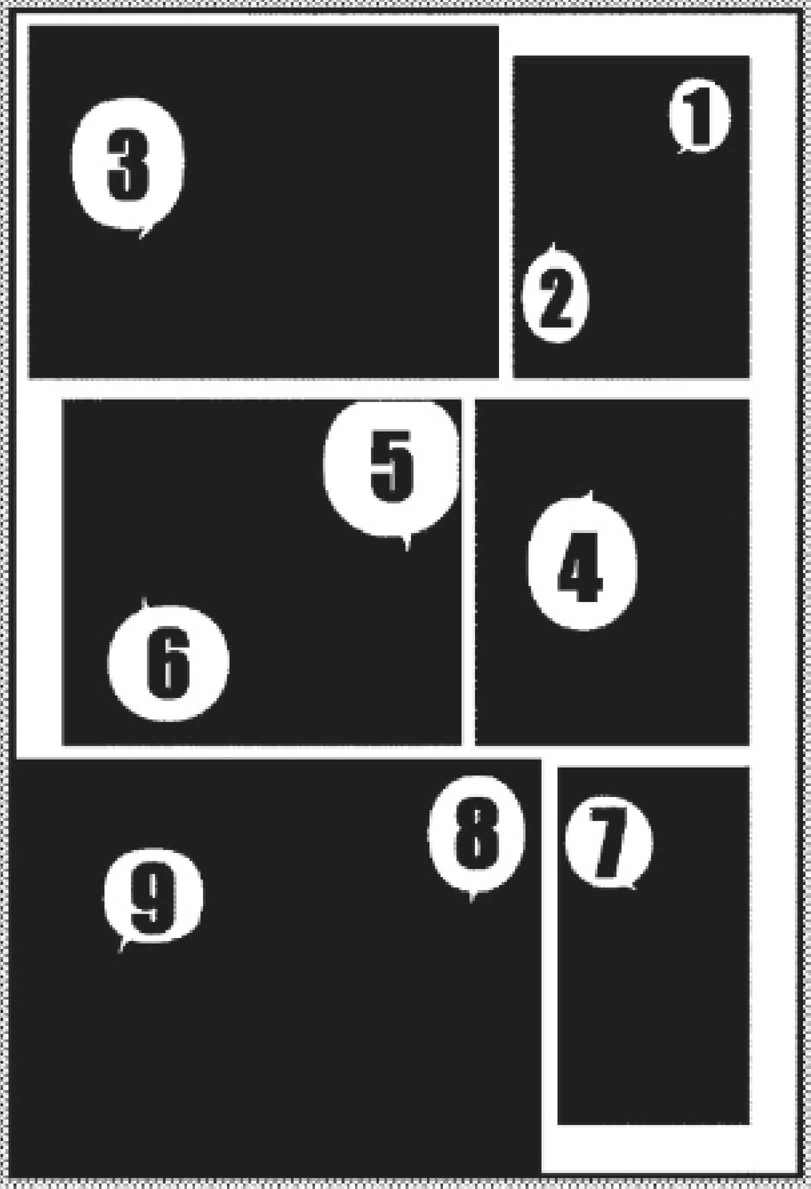

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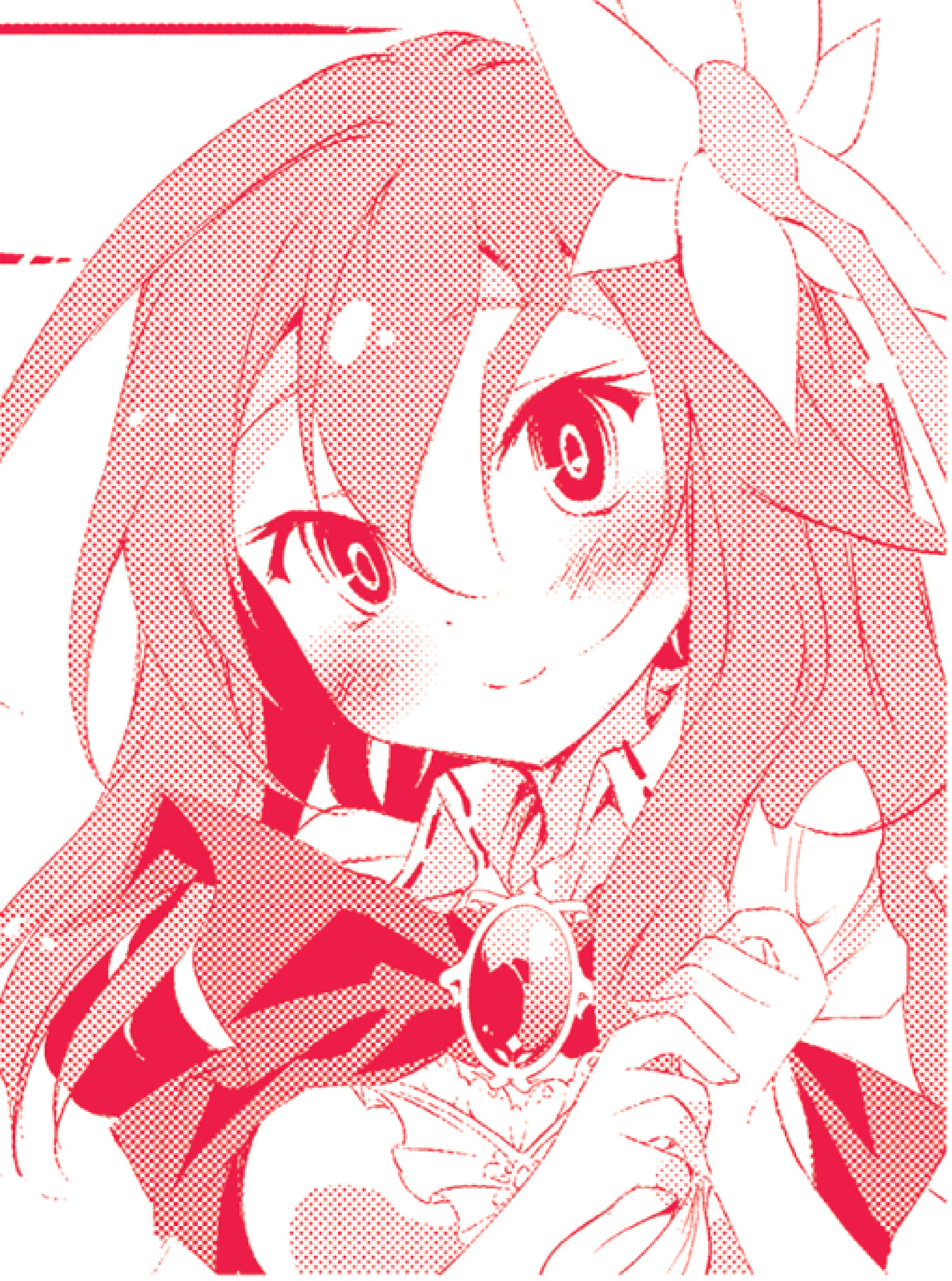

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